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## State holds control of low-scoring Paterson

By Michael Burton  
Correspondent

According to test scores released in July, Paterson high school students' test scores fell in reading and writing. The figures released by the State Board of Education show results from last year's state-mandated High School Proficiency Test (HSPT). The number of 11th graders passing the reading portion dropped a dramatic 12.2 percentage points, showing that only 52.3 percent passed the test. The number of those passing the writing portion also dropped 4.2 percent, showing a 62.3 percent passing rate.

The math portion did see an increase of 9.4 percentage points with 68 percent passing, but the percentage remains far short of the state's mandatory 65 percent passing rate.

Most ironic is that the two other state-controlled districts, Jersey City and Newark, both boasted sizable increases in the percentage of students passing all areas of the HSPT.

"Where Jersey City and Newark are showing consistent improvement, Paterson is not," said Bob Desando, spokesman for State Education Commissioner David Hespe. "When you look at test scores in Paterson since 1993, it has fallen in two categories and risen only in math."

Taking the test scores into consideration during its July meeting, the State Board of Education voted unanimously to continue state control of the Paterson School System. Paterson has been state-operated since 1991.

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— Bob Desando, state spokesman

While many had hoped that state control would be relinquished, the new test scores make it an impossibility, officials said. State guidelines require a district to be state-run until it reaches a 75 percent passing rate for 4th and 5th graders and 85 percent passing rate for 11th graders taking the HSPT.

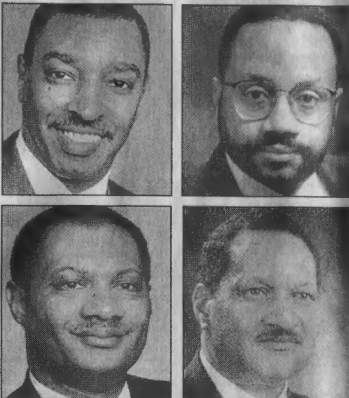
"It's going to blow out to test scores in Paterson to get out of the takeover," said Paterson Superintendent Edwin Duroy. "We're hoping that we can become a little more consistent in test scores, with continuous staff training and having the students read and write more."

Some of the efforts Duroy has initiated to combat the low test scores include an extended school year for 11th graders — who reported to school on August 19 and will receive 10 additional days of instruction aimed at passing the HSPT. Also, the Silk City 2000 Academy has been helping students fine-tune test-taking and analytical skills.

All Paterson High Schools will also be offering tutoring before and after the scheduled school day in an effort to assist struggling students. The curriculum is being examined and additional staff training will be given before the school year begins, Duroy added.

"We need to put together an aggressive reading strategy where kids end up not just reading in school but reading outside of school as well," he said.

"We need to put together an aggressive reading strategy," Duroy said. "We believe we will show greater improvements in test scores and dropout rates, and that within two years we should be in a position to begin talking about phasing out the state takeover in Paterson."



Pastors spearheading an exceptional religious experience at the Shore this month are (clockwise from top left) Rev. DeForest Soares Jr., Bishop Donald Hillard Jr., Rev. Reginald L. Jackson and Rev. William D. Watley.

## Christian happening

### Four churches unite at Great Auditorium in Ocean Grove

By Carl Chase  
Staff Writer

Four great church congregations will gather at the Shore on Sept. 12 to give God great helpings of glory and honor.

Cathedral Second Baptist Church will join St. Matthew African Methodist Episcopal Church of Orange, First Baptist Church of Lincoln Gardens, and St. James AME Church of Newark for a special Pre-Millennium Unity Celebration.

Four dance ensembles and a combined choir have prepared for a special service at the 8,000-seat Great Auditorium at Ocean Grove. "It's always appropriate when believers from various churches demonstrate that there is more that unites us than divides us," said St. James Pastor Rev. William Watley. "We are the millennium not only with common anxieties but also with a common faith, hope and a vision for the Kingdom."

The Rev. Buster Soares, pastor of First Baptist and secretary of state of New Jersey, pitched the idea over breakfast with Rev. Reginald Jackson from Orange and Rev. Watley in Newark.

These churches are exceptional: First Baptist's famous initiatives include a community development corporation, a comprehensive program to support young men and other initiatives. Second Baptist has its own Preparatory Academy. Its Counseling Center, Community Development Corp. and more than 50 different ministries have transformed Perth Amboy's downtown. St. James, with 3,024

**"The theme of this Unity Celebration is, 'And the glory which you gave me I have given them, that they may be one.'"**

— Bishop Donald Hillard of Second Baptist, John 17:22

members, has a credit union, extensive feeding and clothing programs and is readying a world-class, high-tech preparatory school for 500 students in grades 7 through 12. Its oneday worship on Wednesdays is hugely popular. St. Matthew has pro-

grams for first-time homeowners and training program, youth oratory training, after-school tutors, even a martial arts program, among others.

The Rev. Reginald Jackson of St. Matthew said the celebration of Christian unity is for all worshippers in the New Jersey area. "Come share this celebration."

This historic event may well become a yearly celebration, said Carolee Dorch-Wright of Second Baptist, in charge of publicity.

"The theme of this Unity Celebration is, 'And the glory which you gave me I have given them, that they may be one,'" said Bishop Donald Hillard of Second Baptist, quoting John 17:22. The purpose of the day, he said, is "to lift up the name of Jesus."

Buses from each church will travel to the 5 p.m. event. On Sept. 11, worshippers will have a prayer service there. In the afternoon, contact St. Matthew AME Church, (973) 678-1217; in Newark, St. James AME Church, (973) 622-1344; in Somerset, First Baptist Church of Lincoln Gardens; and in Perth Amboy, Cathedral Second Baptist Church, (732) 826-5293. Only the bus will cost you (\$5).

## Federal overhaul would let banks off the hook

### Republican proposal targets community responsibility

By Carl Chase  
Staff Writer

The Community Reinvestment Act, a 1977 federal law credited with some \$1 trillion in real and committed loans, is at the mercy of 55 people in Washington.

That's how many members of Congress will negotiate differences between two versions of the Financial Modernization Act of 1999. The only member from New Jersey is Rep. Margaret Roukema (D-5th District), who at press time had returned phone calls seeking comment.

The CRA is a key bone of contention. It requires each bank to make a fair amount of loans to the communities that deposit into the bank. Regulators rate banks' compliance with CRA and the rating is considered in applications for expansion or merger.

The CRA has spurred some \$1 trillion in committed loans — including \$8.8 billion in New Jersey — But while the House version of the bill is designed to make it even more effective, a Senate version is poised to cripple the CRA.

Since 1977, the CRA has helped stim-

ulate economic development in urban and rural communities. "CRA ensures that millions of Americans in underserved neighborhoods have fair access to credit and the opportunity to prosper," said Dorothy Hecht, head of the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights, a coalition of housing activists and minority organizations fighting to preserve the CRA.

The bill passed by the House of Representatives, H.R. 10, contains two provisions designed to adjust the CRA to make it more relevant to the radically new banking industry the Financial Modernization Act will bring:

■ Banks would need an adequate CRA rating to merge with insurance and securities firms, a lucrative kind of partnership that provides loopholes around laws to fight redlining (housing and lending discrimination).

■ Mergers involving banks with over \$1 billion or nonbanks with over \$40 billion in assets would be subject to public hearings or an application process.

■ CRA would apply to "Wholesale financial institutions," which make junk loans at low rates, would be



Customers in Newark and other cities, even rural communities, may find it harder to get banks to invest in the community if the Senate Banking Committee gets their way.

The bill passed by the Senate contains language that would exempt banks with assets

under \$100 million — 72 percent of rural banks and nearly 40 percent of all U.S.

banks — from even addressing community responsibility.

■ It would repeal current laws that prohibit cross-ownership of banks, broker-

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## Bradley travels to Sharpton's 'House of Justice'

By Jean Pierre  
Staff Writer

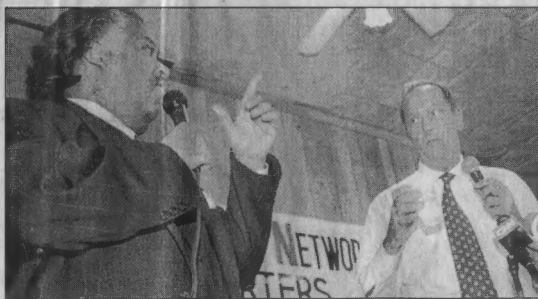
NEW YORK — Presidential hopeful Bill Bradley recently paid a visit to Harlem to take part in an open forum on issues affecting minorities. The forum, hosted by the Rev. Al Sharpton at his National Action Network headquarters, gave residents and the panel a chance to express concerns in the minority to community the former New Jersey senator if he's elected president.

Every presidential candidate should reach out to the minority community, Sharpton noted.

"What Bill Bradley is doing is what all Democratic leaders did and that is to go to the people and let people decide who speaks for them while they speak for the people. He is connecting history so that all of America can go into the 21st Century together," Sharpton said. "It is not Bill Bradley coming to Harlem, it's John F. Kennedy coming to see Adam Clayton Powell in 1960."

Bradley addressed gun control, health coverage and the issue near and dear to his heart: race relations.

"Nobody said it was happen-



Former New Jersey Senator Bill Bradley (right) observes Rev. Al Sharpton as he points to an audience member during the question and answer session at the National Action Network Headquarters in Harlem.

ing, but when the tape of Rodney King being beaten went national, I knew something had to be done to bring this out in the open. And Bradley, who has fought and spoken out against racism since his basketball playing days. "This is

time when a white face should be talking about this problem without vaporizing before your eyes. It's who I am, what I believe, and what I care most about."

During the question and answer session, the panel of

prominent leaders like ex-Mayor Ed Koch and Rev. W. Franklin Richardson, candidate for president of the National Baptist Convention, asked what Bradley, if elected, would do about urban schools, poverty, and how adver-

tisers discriminate against minority media — a hot topic since a memo last year by ad agency Katz Media urged advertisers to avoid minority-owned stations.

"A country where \$870 million is spent on advertising in the African-American community and only 30 percent of that is spent on African-American radio and television stations is not acceptable," Bradley replied.

"I would see to it that these ad companies have a racial understanding of the country and have a chunk of that billion dollars go to these stations that need these public services to reach their listeners and viewers," the former senator vowed.

A audience member asked if he was prepared to support reparations to African Americans for slavery. Bradley said he wasn't, which sent echoes of boos and hisses from the approximate 500 in attendance. For Otis Carlson of the Bronx, it was a chance to hear someone come out and talk.

"It was good to hear Bradley's stance on these issues that others like to ignore," Carlson said. "Finally, someone is willing to meet, not hide behind anyone."

# Community Calendar

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

**SUSSEX** — Space Farms Zoo and Museum is presents Buffalo Bill Day, 9 a.m. (973) 386-1444.  
**CRANFORD** — Union County College hosts a workshop on financial aid, 5 p.m. (908) 709-7141.

## MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

**BROOKLYN, NY** — The Annual West Indian Day Parade is a honored tradition bring all the Caribbean islands together for this joyous celebration. It starts at Eastern Parkway and Ends at Flatbush Ave. Call (718) 842-1797 for time and information.

**NEW YORK** — The American Museum of Natural History hosts an exhibit on infectious disease through Sept. 6, Call (212) 769-5800 for time and information.

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

**PLAINFIELD** — The Plainfield Health Office offers free rabies shots for dogs and cats at the Fire Station on South and Woodland Aves. 2 p.m. (908) 753-3093.

## THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

**PLAINFIELD** — Union County College hosts a workshop on financial aid, 5 p.m. (908) 709-7141.

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

**PASSAIC** — The Passaic Chapter of NAACP presents its Ninth Annual African American Day Festival & Parade Third Ward Park, 9 a.m. (973) 775-5950.

## MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

**COTTS NECK** — The Monmouth County Park System hosts a kids activity program entitled "Pre-School Escapades at Dorbrook Program Building, 9:30 a.m. (732) 842-4000.

## TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

**MADISON** — Summit Choral will hold auditions for its 1999-2000 season at Drew University, 7:45 p.m. (908) 665-1871.

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

**PLAINFIELD** — The Literacy Volunteers of America hosts a free workshop for adults who want to read at Plainfield Public Library, 6 p.m. (908) 755-7998.

**ELIZABETH** — Union County College hosts a workshop on financial aid, 10 a.m. (908) 709-7141.

## THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

**HOWELL** — The Monmouth County

Park System hosts a parent and kid activity program at the Manasquan Reservoir, 9:30 a.m. (732) 842-4000.

**WASHINGTON** — The National Newspapers Publishers Association (NNPPA) hosts its annual board meeting at the Renaissance Hotel, Call (202) 898-9000 for time and information.

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

**NEW YORK** — The Membership Committee of the National Action Network hosts its Third Annual Atlantic City Bus Ride. The bus will depart from the National Action Network Headquarters at 1 p.m. Call (212) 967-5030 for information.

**HOLMDEL** — The 12th Annual Festival of the Arts and Heritage of African Americans takes place at the PNC Bank Arts Center, 10 a.m. (732) 442-9200.

## MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

**ATLANTIC CITY** — Expo Opportunity '99 National Minority Supplier Development Council of P.A.N.J.-DE. Tringora Resort & Casino, September 20-21. Call (609) 449-7126 for time and information.

## TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

**PLAINFIELD** — The Literacy Volunteers host a free workshop for beginners who want to read at the Plainfield public Library, 6 p.m. (908) 755-7998.

## THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

**FREEHOLD** — The Monmouth County Planning Board's Division offers a course in master composting at Tatum Park through September 25, 7 p.m. (732) 431 7490.

**JAMESBURG** — The New Jersey Voluntary Association, for Outreach Workers hosts New Jersey Outreach Worker Day, a day long event honoring those who give their time to the community. Its part of New Jersey's Outreach Worker Week that runs from Sept. 20-26. The awards ceremony takes place at the Holiday Inn, Call (973) 626-6624 for time and information.

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

**NEWARK** — The Newark Museum host its Third Annual "Volunteer Recruitment Tea" celebration, 11 a.m. (973) 596-6638.

## MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

**NEW BRUNSWICK** — Knowledge is Power NJ Energy Choice Opinion Influencer Briefing at the Crossroads Theater Company, 12 p.m. (973) 642-4400.

## Inner Force hones kids academic skills



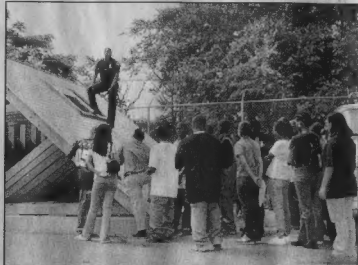
**NEW YORK** — More than 125 children from New York City schools are strengthening their skills in math, science, and computer science at a six-week summer camp at Polytechnic University at MetroTech Center in Downtown Brooklyn. The camp, Inner Force, is led by Dr. Gary Ellis (top left), executive director. Pictured with him as he discuss the computer are (from l-r) Stenmar Greene, Vimal Rampaul, Simone Butler, Khari Clarke, and Mali Goodlin.

## High school students intern at Monmouth County parks

**HOLMDEL** — Recently a group of students from Asbury Park and Neptune High Schools took part in the Monmouth County Park System's Park Ranger Intern Program. For eight hours a day and five days a week throughout the summer, these teens work side by side with park rangers learning about park maintenance and natural resources, as well as acquiring personal job skills. Although the Park System has previously employed interns, this program marks the first time the Park System recruited from local urban high schools. Pictured here are park interns (l-r) Raymond Lenon of Asbury Park and Ian Halsey and Mike Shirley of Neptune working on the erosion project at Holmdel Park.



## Newark Fire Department participates in youth employment training program



**NEWARK** — Recently members from Summer Youth Employment Training Program (SYETP) spent their time at the Newark Fire Department Training Academy learning how firefighters train, prepare and respond to fires. Captain Fateen Ziyad of the Newark Fire Department's Community Relations Division, conducts a classroom training session outdoors for SYETP students.

## Tiana Mayes 1999-2000 Cigna Scholar winner

Tiana Nicole Mayes, a graduate of Union Catholic High School in Scotch Plains, has been named a CIGNA Scholar in Science at the University of Richmond in Richmond, VA starting this month. The CIGNA Scholar award provides one-half tuition and is renewable for eight semesters of undergraduate study. African American students are selected for this award, valued at \$9,670.00 for the 1999-2000 academic year, on the basis of academic performance and leadership ability. The CIGNA Scholars Program provides a unique opportunity for academically talented African American students to pursue college education while gaining important leadership experiences to enter the work force.



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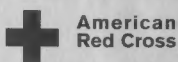
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# at a Glance Briefs

## THREE SPORTSWRITERS BREAK SPOT WITH WNFZ AFTER STATION PARODIES

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Three Charlotte Observer sportswriters have refused to appear on a radio talk show commentators on WNFZ-AF 10.5 after the station broadcast parodies of another Observer writer that the trio says were racially insensitive. Observer columnist Tom Sorenson and sportswriters Stan Olson and Charles Chandler have paid comment on their positions after the airing of segments last week that ridiculed Langston West Jr. The bits featured someone pretending to be Wertz, who is black, speaking a dialect associated with Stepin Fetchell and Alvin Karpis. Wertz said, "I really hate that name to me, it's racist." "I don't think those guys were racist. I think they were insensitive," Michael Kellogg, WNFZ's general manager, disagreed with the characterization of the segments as insensitive. The segments were put together with a Wertz article about Arthurian radio. "I label it as a completely non-racist," Kellogg said. "All I can say is I'm sorry they felt that way."

## BENNETT BLAMES RACIAL REMARK ON 'PRIMARY COLORS' SCENARIO

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Utah Sen. Bob Bennett says he was reminded of the movie "Primary Colors" when he took a racial comment about Texas Gov. George W. Bush's presidential campaign. Bennett stopped short of apologizing but plans to continue damage-control efforts Monday in a meeting with Utah leaders of the National Council for the Advancement of Colored People. "I intend to talk to that group," Bennett told Channel 4 KTVU-TV. "I'm saying he was over-taxed that the good relationship I've had with the NAACP here in Utah during my six years as a senator might be some way be jeopardized." NAACP leaders demanded an apology after Bennett Aug. 13 told an editorial board for the Standard-Examiner of Ogden that Bush could lose the GOP nomination only if "some woman comes forward, let's say some black woman, comes forward with an illegitimate child that she fathered within the last 18 months." "I can tell you that African-Americans living in Utah are offended by the racist remark," said Edward Lewis, president of the NAACP's Utah, Idaho and Nevada branch. The GOP senator said his "clumsy" comment was a reference to the book and movie "Primary Colors," the Clinton-esque characterization that portrays a Southern governor's womanizer. "I reached out to the most extreme scandal I could find," Bennett said, without actually naming the book. "One that has been put into a movie, by the way, a scandal where a white politician makes takes unfair advantage of a black woman. I did it the right way," Bennett said. "I obviously did it in a clumsy way."

## NAACP ASKS YOUTH TO TURN IN GUNS

GREENVILLE, S.C. (AP) — The local chapter of the NAACP here is asking youths to turn in their guns and other weapons to church drop-boxes without fear of punishment from law enforcement. The guns will be given to the Greenville County Sheriff's Office and melted. "We don't think it's enough to condemn the use of a deputy that happened last week," said the Rev. Ennis Fain, president of the local National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. "We think we've got to get everybody black and white, together to condemn violence in our community and stop it." Deputy Marcus Whitfield was shot and killed Aug. 13 after he and other officers were called to a White House to stop a fight. Sheriff Johnny Mack Brown said he enjoined the NAACP's gun plan. "I think that is something worth trying," Brown said. "I would check the identification numbers to find out if it was stolen, and if it was I would try to get it back to its owner." The civil rights group also is asking churches and schools to join a national campaign against guns. Forbes-White meeting ends in insults, chair throwing

# National Foundation for Women Legislators honors Isaac Hayes

LOS ANGELES — Multi Grammy Award-winning recording artist Isaac Hayes, was honored this week-end by the National Foundation for Women Legislators (NFWL) for his legislative work with inner city youth.

At a luncheon of hundreds of US women legislators, Hayes was presented with NFWL's Humanitarian Artist of the Year Award.

This special award has been given to Hayes in recognition of his work as the international spokesperson for the World Literature Crusade (WLC), a program which has provided valuable literary programs to children and adults, helping to change their lives from crime and drugs to success and prosperity.

In accepting the award, Hayes said that "NFWL plays an invaluable role in promoting leadership, involvement and responsibility in the community."

Hayes knows about leadership. Through his support and encouragement, WLC has grown to more than 20 chapters around the world. It uses the breakthrough study methods developed by author and humanitarian L. Ron Hubbard, and teaches children and youth how to study and apply what they learn in order to achieve what they

want without resorting to crime or violence.

According to Hayes, the program has helped to salvage the lives of former gang members, drug abusers and school dropouts.

Hayes is also a Commissioner with the Citizens Commission on Human Rights, and has been an outspoken critic of the prescribed psychiatric drugs being given to millions of children who simply have trouble studying or paying attention in class. Today, over 6 million American children are being prescribed these mind-altering drugs.

Studies show that these drugs can cause violent behavior. In fact, the last five school shootings were carried out by teenagers who were taking prescribed psychotropic drugs. Hayes pointed out that there is an over-prescription of African Americans prescribed these drugs and a corresponding rise in violent crime and suicide, especially among African American males.

Between 1965 and 1992, the arrest rates for violent crime by African American kids under the age of 18 rose by 262%. Between 1980 and 1993 the suicide rates of 15 to 19 year old African American males rose by 157% and overall since 1960, this rate increased

by nearly 400%. These trends parallel the increase in psychiatric drug prescriptions.

In 1930, 30 percent of African-Americans over the age of 14 could read. Sixteen percent of white adults, 44 percent of black and 56 percent of Hispanic citizens are functional or marginal literates.

In a typical sample of 50 inner city youth, Hayes predicted that as many as 45 would die and at least 100 would end up in jail. "But take them off the streets and educate them with a workable literacy program and you see remarkable results," Hayes testified. "More than 2000 young people have completed the World Literature program in the last few years; only one has died and only two have gone to jail."

Hayes stated, "If a child doesn't comprehend what is being taught in the classroom, if he doesn't understand the basics like the alphabet or phonics, or the meanings of words, then his attention span will wander. To label this as a mental illness, as 'attention deficit disorder', and to then place the child on the drugs, is to do a serious injustice to our youth. We need to teach our future leaders and teach them well."

# Pizza Hut promises sensitivity training as part of lawsuit

CHICAGO (AP) — Tens of thousands of Pizza Hut employees will receive racial-sensitivity training over the next 5 years as part of the settlement of a lawsuit filed by a black family that alleged they were turned away from one of the restaurants, the Chicago Tribune reported Monday. A company officer disputed that the sensitivity program was part of the settlement. The family claimed they were not allowed to celebrate a son's 10th birthday at a Pizza Hut restaurant in suburban Midlothian, Ill., on a summer evening in 1996. The family filed suit and a settlement was reached in May. It was to have remained confidential, but a copy was obtained by the Chicago Tribune. It was stated to a court filing made by the plaintiffs last Friday. Fuy Clayton, declined to comment on the settlement. Pizza Hut's director of public relations, Jay Allison, said: "We're going to uphold our end of the bargain and not discuss it." But Robert Milten, chief legal officer for the company, said Saturday evening by telephone that the sensitivity training program was not part of the settlement but has been in effect for 2 1/2 years and was a modification of a pro-

gram that has been in effect for two decades. The discrimination claim was the first against Pizza Hut or other restaurant chains. Pizza Hut settled a similar lawsuit last year in which black customers at a restaurant in Oakridge, Ill., said they were turned away when they were to celebrate their son's birthday at the Midlothian restaurant after 10 p.m. on a summer night. Even though they had phoned in an order for five pizzas before arriving. Parents of other children invited to the party joined in the lawsuit. The restaurant manager contended he was closed early that night because one waitress left work sick and supplies ran out. But in rejecting Pizza Hut's attempt earlier this year to have the lawsuit dismissed, U.S. District Judge Blanche Manning noted that the restaurant remained open for three hours after the waitress left, and cash register receipts showed that 25 pizzas were delivered after 10 p.m. The judge said the lawsuit was not frivolous. Milten disputed the claim, saying the dining room was closed. He said the company agreed to settle to avoid the expense of a lawsuit and to defend itself and the adverse publicity a lengthy lawsuit would bring.

It combined \$160,000 to 20 plaintiffs and may yet have to pay their legal fees, according to the court of the 14-page settlement. The lawsuit was filed by Jacqueline and Curtis Rundle El, who said they were turned away when they were to celebrate their son's birthday at the Midlothian restaurant after 10 p.m. on a summer night. Even though they had phoned in an order for five pizzas before arriving. Parents of other children invited to the party joined in the lawsuit. The restaurant manager contended he was closed early that night because one waitress left work sick and supplies ran out. But in rejecting Pizza Hut's attempt earlier this year to have the lawsuit dismissed, U.S. District Judge Blanche Manning noted that the restaurant remained open for three hours after the waitress left, and cash register receipts showed that 25 pizzas were delivered after 10 p.m. The judge said the lawsuit was not frivolous. Milten disputed the claim, saying the dining room was closed. He said the company agreed to settle to avoid the expense of a lawsuit and to defend itself and the adverse publicity a lengthy lawsuit would bring.

# CRA comes under attack in Congress

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requiring any of the resulting new institutions to comply with the CRA.

It would provide safe harbor to banks that had received a CRA rating of satisfactory or better for three years in a row. That means community groups would be severely limited in their ability to challenge a branch opening or a bank merger if the bank had a satisfactory rating for three years.

"If you allow the banks to launch this huge expansion, we'd like to see the CRA keep pace with that expansion," said NAACP Congressional Analyst Carol Kaplan. "We are very, very concerned that the language in the House bill will be used on these points and not that of the Senate language."

"Any part of the Senate bill, if included in the final bill, will be very, very detrimental to the CRA and those who need it," she added.

The CRA has enjoyed bipartisan support for its ability to help build revitalized communities in the inner city and elsewhere.

Democratic presidential candidate Bill Bradley, following a campaign speech in Harlem on Aug. 23, called CRA enforcement the second most important thing he can do to help minorities get their fair share of business capital. "Access to capital... means enforcing the Community Reinvestment Act that requires banks to loan money to small businesses in urban areas they might have red-lined in the past," he said.

Most important, he is managing the economy for stronger growth, he said.

Bradley said he will look for innovative ways to finance home ownership in urban areas. "I cannot come to the exact vehicle, but trying to promote home ownership in urban areas is something that I will do."

New Jersey Gov. Christie Whitman supports the continuation of CRA but declined to comment on the CRA proposals in Congress.

Rival Jon Corzine, a staunch Democrat challenger,

ing Whitman for a Senate seat, said any proposal "that would hurt these families struggling hardest to develop their communities and would hinder urban development and reinvestment, I strongly oppose."

Rep. Bill Pascrell (D-8th District) supports the House version. "The provisions in HR-10 are strong relative to CRA," and he strongly believes in "CRA," a spokesman said.

New Jersey Citizen Action, which has shepherded millions of dollars in CRA agreements with several banks, finds that even the House bill needs work. "The House bill doesn't go far enough," said CRA Organizer Cathy Malmstrom.

The final bill needs to bar insurance companies already in violation of court consent decrees (to correct fair housing violations) from affiliating with banks. "Insurance companies are documented red-liners," she said. "Those found guilty of redlining in writing policies and still refusing to make restitution."

Already, many experts active in the economic development of the poor and inner-city areas feel the CRA has little "teeth" to enforce of fair lending provisions. "To my knowledge, no bank has ever been denied an expansion simply for a low CRA rating," Kaplan said.

Even the banking industry is not actively supporting the Gramm bill, despite its provisions creating loopholes around CRA responsibility.

Banks have entered into billions of dollars worth of agreements with citizen groups to help finance home purchases, affordable housing construction, business start-ups and expansions, and other development. Chase Manhattan signed a 5-year, \$18.1 billion community investment commitment last year. It loaned more than \$6 billion to fulfill these agreements nationwide, including a \$47.7 million construction loan for the Harlem USA retail/entertainment complex in New York, which opens this winter.

## Rev. Jackson Endorses Boycott of Crown Central Petroleum

WASHINGTON DC — American corporations should treat workers fairly and stop workplace race and gender discrimination. Rev. Jesse Jackson asserted today as he announced that he and the Rainbow/PUSH coalition are endorsing the AFL-CIO boycott against Crown Central Petroleum gasoline.

"We are asking consumers not to spend their dollars at Crown gas stations and convenience stores, until Crown stops its abuse of workers and addresses its race and gender problems," said Jackson.

AFL-CIO President John Sweeney said, "We applaud Rev. Jackson and the Rainbow/PUSH Coalition for the endorsement, which sends an unmistakable message to Crown — stop your attack on working families and stop your discrimination, or we will not buy your products."

In February 1996, Crown fired and arrested 23 union members from its Pasadena, Texas, refinery after workers refused to strike.

The company wanted to eliminate most of the seniority provisions in the labor agreement and increase the use of contract labor. This disproportionately affected the one-third minority work force, according to locked-out Crown worker Alvin Freeman.

After the lockout, Crown replaced union workers with nonunion contract employees and virtually eliminated African-Americans from its hourly workforce.

In 1997, a group of African-Americans and women employees filed a lawsuit against Crown, alleging violations of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 at the company's Pasadena and Tyler, Texas, refineries. Substantiated evidence was several racist and sexist leaflets reportedly distributed by Crown supervisors. One of these, a handwritten note for "Jesse Jackson's Staff Position," asks such questions as "length of last

jail term" and "number of convenience stores robbed."

Crown also has been sued for environmental violations. In August 1998, Crown was fined and received the largest air pollution fine in Texas history for contaminating the largely low income and minority communities surrounding its Pasadena refinery.

Jackson's endorsement of the boycott against Crown gasoline — sold at company-owned chains operating under the names of Crown, Fast Fare and Zippy Mart along the Atlantic Coast and in Alabama — is the latest in a series of boycott and campaign endorsements.

Other groups signing onto the campaign include the eight-million-member National Baptist Convention USA; the National Black Caucus of State Legislators; the NAACP; the Baltimore City Council; Georgia Association of Black Elected Officials; ministerial alliances in several major cities; the American Labor Education Unionists and three national environmental groups.

In its latest filing with the Second and Exchange Commission, Crown admitted for the first time that the campaign and boycott "could have a materially adverse impact on the company's financial results of operations." Crown suffered a 7.4% drop in per station gasoline volume according to its second quarter earnings statement, while nationwide gasoline consumption increased.

This is the second time Jackson has publicly taken on an oil company at the gasoline pump. In late 1996 and early 1997, he threatened a boycott against Texaco if it did not address charges of discrimination lodged against it.

The locked-out Crown workers are represented by the Paper, Allied-Industrial, Chemical and Energy workers International Union (PACE), which has conducted a fierce campaign against company PACE has 320,000 members nationwide.

# Minority Business Directory & Black Pages

In anticipation of the new millennium, City News Publishing Company introduces the 2000 Minority Business Directory & Black Pages, a directory of minority and women-owned businesses and companies committed to doing business with the public and private sectors.

The Directory features listings and advertising as well as provides a resource guide for minority entrepreneurs and potential entrepreneurs to help facilitate starting and maintaining a business.

A new feature for this year will be a directory of consumer-oriented businesses and organizations, making the directory valuable to the corporate, public and consumer communities and greatly extending the visibility of all those who list or advertise.

The 2000 Minority Business Directory & Black Pages is another tool for the growth and expansion of minority entrepreneurs and economic development in New Jersey's black and urban communities.



# Get a life, go to college

Over the years I've met numerous college graduates with all types of degrees top of their heads. During my heyday, I had some of my best fun on college campuses — Hampton Institute, Virginia State, Rutgers, Virginia Union, Kean University etc. From music concerts, homecomings, to just hanging out in the dorms with relatives and friends who were attending these various institutions. And when I met someone who had towed the line, writing 20-25 page term papers, rewriting term papers, crumming for exams, reading until the wee hours of the morning and then having to be in class the next morning, I meant very little to me. That was until I decided at the age of 38 to return to school to pursue a degree. Well, what a rude awakening I received. Nothing I had ever encountered came close to testing my will, determination and tenacity like college did. I sought out higher education after graduating high school, but it was an 18-month nonstop program, which was challenging, but nothing I could compare to the 4 1/2 years of non-stop registration, selecting classes, meeting financial aid deadlines, learning your way around campus, finding out classes you required for someone you were arbitrarily dropped due to a glitch in the computer system, while dealing with some mild-mannered, ordinary history and political professors. College is an overwhelming experience. But it did something for me that I don't think anything else could have done — it opened me up to a whole new world, holistically speaking. College challenged me to be the best that I could be. College gave me the confidence that I was seriously lacking in success in this world. Returning to school was one of the best decisions I ever made for myself. Even when the naysayers tried to discourage me, I didn't fall for it. I criticized them and said I was not going to let them tell me I was not going to aggressively build eight-year life-in-research and got on with my living. College helped me to discover who I am and just what I am about. Unquestionably it was the best thing at the time to ever happen to me. Not only I am smart, and it's not that I was smart before, but I gained knowledge of people, places and things I had only heard of before. It's one thing to hear of such things it another thing when you can really relate. After awhile, college changed second nature and before I knew it, I was excelling at ward-spel. I mean, I mean serious critical thinking. Being able to think with logic — oh it's nothing in the world like it. It's like being let out of a prison of mindless interpretation. The truth will set you free!

# The new school year and teaching the truth

By Dr. Conrad W. Woodruff

The movement to implement an appropriate African-Centered Curriculum in predominantly African American inner city schools is critical to the on-going struggle for the liberation of African people in this country.

With the opening of a new school year, across America, we must continue to examine the importance of the movement that has now become a popularly known as the African-Centered Education Movement. Simply put, the movement is about teaching the truth concerning the contributions of African people to the development of civilization in all subjects.

Throughout the country, African Americans are now becoming more sensitive to challenging white supremacy and the racist basis of American change in the public school curriculum.

Through the National Black Union (NBU), and its World African-Centered Education Plan, more African Americans are beginning to see the need for massive curriculum change in the public schools of this country.

There is not a day that goes by that someone does not call our office seeking information and help to start the process of changing the curriculum in their school. Parents are becoming more and more dissatisfied with what their children are being taught. They are also beginning to realize how much isn't being taught.

It is clear that the public school system is the place where African American children receive a significant portion of their view of the world.

Let's turn to Carter G. Woodson's "The Miseducation of the Negro," to get some further insights into this problem.

Woodson observes, "...the so-called modern education, with all its defects, however, does others more good than it does the Negro, because it has been worked out by white men for white men and those who have enslaved and oppressed white people."

For example, Woodson says, "...the educational and ethics resulting from our philosophy have justified slavery, pogroms, segregation and lynching. The oppressor has the right to exploit, to lynch, and to kill the oppressed."

Continuing on, Woodson

explains, "No systematic effort toward change had been possible for, taught the same economics, history, philosophy, literature, and religion which the white man had established as a code of morals, the Negro's mind has been oppressed under the control of his oppressor."

Including on this point, Woodson states, "The problem of holding the Negro down, therefore, is easily solved. All that you control is the mind. If you can't have to worry about his actions."

Therefore, it is inspiring to see so many people in this country, who are over America and seeking the truth concerning the real contributions of African people to the world.

Through study groups, conferences, Black talk radio, and information network exchanges, African Americans are coming into the world where we have established the truth to reclaim the African mind and spirit.

Through the Portland Model Baseline studies, the work of the Kwanzaa Institute, and the writings and curriculum materials, Africans are much more aware of the following points that must be incorporated in the curriculum.

1. Africa is the home of early man.
2. Africa is the cradle of modern man.
3. Africa is the cradle of civilization.

African once held a position as world teacher, including the teacher of the western world.

5. There was and still is a continuous cultural unity in Africa and in the African communities around the world.

6. The first time Africans left the continent was not on slave ships.

7. African and African people all over the world have been under siege for nearly 2,000 years and only liberated by European slavery and colonialism.

8. There is an African diaspora all over the world today.

9. The African diaspora has always resisted domination on the continent and all over the world.

10. Even under the systems of slavery, colonization, segregation, and apartheid, African people have made monumental contributions to the arts, sciences, technologies, and politics.

These ten points, and others, have become the basis upon which we can judge the white supremacy paradigm of the curriculum content in textbooks and other learning materials.

In other words, these points have revealed the lies that have been used to keep the truth in being taught in the public schools of this country.

The Truth will set us free!

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# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Hon. Eugene Nickerson,

Former New York Police Officer Charles Schwarz is just as guilty as Justin Volpe and all the other police officers at the 70th Precinct Stationhouse who witness (heard or saw) the torture of Aaron Lobos. Legal experts say that news article (COP Suspect beaten) which appeared in the Star-Ledger (8-19-99).

Legal experts said that officers not directly involved in an actual assault still can face serious charges. Under federal law, officers who fail to take action to stop an assault are guilty of aiding and abetting. As some judges have done. In fact this issue will be taken all the way to the U.S. Justice Department and to the White House.

As you have been informed in a prior letter, Newark Police Director Joseph Santigato stated "Those who knew of the assault and did nothing to

stop it are as guilty as the individual who committed the assault." Mr. Schwarz was one of those police officers who did not stop the assault, arrest or report the crime to his superiors. Therefore, he is just as guilty as Volpe and all of the other officers, and should not receive a new trial. There are criminal cops throughout this country and just today (8/18/99) an Orange, New Jersey police officer admitted to federal investigators that he had "beat up" a suspect and sprayed him in custody and handcuffed upon his death. Brutal and cruel cops must not be allowed to continue to terrorize the people. The police, as some judges have done. In fact this issue will be taken all the way to the U.S. Justice Department and to the White House.

William Frazer  
Newark, NJ

# Voting Reforms for the 21st Century

By Lenora B. Fulani

With two party control of the electoral process becoming a bigger and bigger concern, non-partisan elections without party designation and without special privileges given to the candidates of the two major parties are being considered as a solution.

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# The declining value of black celebrity

By John Williams Templeton

Luck in when preparation meets opportunity. While pondering how to frame a column on the declining value of black celebrity, I looked ahead in the newspaper and found out that on Saturday morning to see comedian Chris Rock on the cover of Vanity Fair dressed as a minstrel.

There isn't much more to say about that than to invite you to look at it for yourself. Just don't buy a copy.

No reason they should profit from this image. It's a disgrace.

In my 1995 book "Black Monday: The Aftermath of the Million Man March," I suggested that we were headed for a replay of the end of the millennial when Blacks went from being the most popular jockeys, boxers, rappers, musicians and cyclists to being ban on Blacks in major league sports on major stages by 1910. There were no laws to carry out that ban, just tight newspaper control of the leagues and venues.

At the turn of the century, "the most famous colored man in the world" was minstrel artist Bert Williams. Williams was a Standard University engineering student who began performing on San Francisco stages for tuition and became the epitome of the blackface minstrel show. He was head of the After Walker's death, Williams became the first Black performer with the Ziegfeld Follies.

When Williams died suddenly in the 1920s, the Crisis wrote that he had died of a broken heart, pained with the knowledge that he could die with the coronation of Europe's jazz king. Even before Williams' death, Williams was even present himself as a real person in the United States. Just before his death, Williams was about to make a major breakthrough in the jazz world. He was recording label had he turned through, it might have changed the shape of American music. Instead, the white press and jazz fell out of the control of Blacks who spawned it.

Today our athletes and entertainers brag about million-dollar deals, living like multimillionaires, huge houses and the most stylish gear.

But a clear trend is beginning to emerge. Black celebrities are losing out to basketball players that endorse its products and rival Reebok. Let us Los Angeles Laker center Shaquille O'Neal and New York Knicks guard Patrick Ewing. National Basketball Association decided.

Three-fourths of our young men expect to play professional sports. Bert Williams was on the verge of deciding to stop trying the tears of a clown. Many of today's acts still wear clown makeup. Actually, it will be harder than it is for we don't make better use of our success.

On a more pedestrian level, the regular film industry is like the state attempting to protect the Hollywood image on lunch box budgets.

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# The first Clinton-Giuliani contest is for money

By Marc Humbert

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — While the Senate election in which they may face each other in November, the first competition for Hillary Rodham Clinton and Rudolph Giuliani is the money chase. It is already under way. Both are considered prodigious fund-raisers and Mrs. Clinton has shifted her operation into high gear, even working the money circuit during her husband's second vacation. She and the president and her daughter, Chelsea, the first lady has simply demonstrated her fund-raising ability in recent years. She has raised more than \$1 million helping fellow Democrats, and her husband, bill campaigns offers, Giuliani, the Republican mayor of New York City, has also proved to be a money man. It comes to raking in the campaign cash. From April, when he formed his Senate exploratory committee, through June 30, Giuliani reported raising \$2.6 million. Mrs. Clinton, who didn't form her exploratory committee until July 6, doesn't have to make a report to the Federal Election Commission until the end of the year. "It's going very well," Howard Wolfson, a spokesman for Mrs. Clinton, said. "She's been very busy, and Thursday, in fact, from the events Mrs. Clinton has already held or has scheduled over the next couple of weeks. Wolfson estimates a take of about \$1.5 million. Six fund-raising events in Massachusetts and New York during the Clintons' current two-week vacation are expected to net another \$500,000 for the first lady's committee. A two-day trip to Texas for five fund-raising events just before the vacation will net another \$300,000. Giuliani, according to Wolfson, four events held earlier in New York and Washington took in about \$400,000. Those fund-raising events include a major one that she has also raised from a direct-mail

campaign, from personal telephone calls she has made and from unsolicited donations. Wolfson said he did not know how those efforts had netted. The first lady's fund-raising team has set a goal of \$25 million for the race and Wolfson said he believes that target is well within reach. New York's statewide races have been increasingly expensive. In last year's Senate race, then-Republican incumbent Alfonse D'Amato spent more than \$20 million. In last year's governor's race, Democratic winner Charles Schumer spent more than \$15 million. In winning a second term as governor last year, Gov. George Pataki spent more than \$20 million. Faced with the Clinton fund-raising prowess, Republicans and anti-Clinton conservatives are also proving to be money men. New York Gov. Chairman William Fawcett has just launched a new Internet website specifically aimed at raising money to help finance anti-Hillary Clinton work. Other GOP state committees across the country have begun fund-raising efforts based on Mrs. Clinton's expected campaign in New York. All or part of the money raised from those campaigns is to be filtered into New York. Also, in early June, conservative Sen. Alfonse D'Amato spent more than \$1 million to launch his own campaign. Pataki's family, for New York, and for our nation."

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# Black folks on tour

By James Clingman

Have you ever given any thought to the fact that African Americans participate in the tourism industry? Ever wondered, just a little, how much money we spend traveling and attending to the fact that we are the largest group of music and art festivals, expo, and football games. And there are the hundreds of religious conferences, social functions, and just plain parties that attend all over this country and abroad.

Black people spend billions on tourism, most of which goes to businesses other than our own. Before you say, "We don't own any hotels," or "We don't own the convention centers," or "We don't own the cruise lines," let's look at the dollars earned from these activities.

We must understand the role played by the tourism industry. When Black people stay longer, spend more money, and take more people with us. That alone should be enough for us to see the respect and reciprocity we deserve from those who benefit from our patronage. "But nooo." Others will continue to take our money and return as few as possible as long as we allow them to. Sure they will. Wouldn't you?

Since it's obvious that we are unwilling to look at our own economic life of 10 or 15 years ago, and some advising for one year, here are some other things we can do.

First, we can form businesses and organizations that can take advantage of the tremendous opportunities in tourism. Via our Black Chamber of Commerce here in Cincinnati, we developed our own tourism directory. Our general goal is to solicit conventions, tourists, and family reunions to our city. More importantly, however, we come, we assure that our Black-owned businesses are in a position to benefit from the existing economic impact.

Maybe we do not see any hotels or convention centers, but we do have caterers, florists, security firms, tour companies, T-shirt vendors, photo-

graphers, computer technicians, audiovisual experts, meeting planners, book stores, restaurants, beauty and hair salons, and more. We can do it. I could go on, but I am sure you get the picture.

We work with our member businesses to make sure that we are the most important. We can claim all we want about other businesses getting the lion's share, but if we are not prepared and cannot deliver the goods, people will seek other outlets.

Conversely, if we are prepared and can provide good service, we will get the business — not because we are Black, but because we are good.

Get involved with tourism in your city. Join the tourism committee, and Thursday, in fact, from the events Mrs. Clinton has already held or has scheduled over the next couple of weeks. Wolfson estimates a take of about \$1.5 million. Six fund-raising events in Massachusetts and New York during the Clintons' current two-week vacation are expected to net another \$500,000 for the first lady's committee. A two-day trip to Texas for five fund-raising events just before the vacation will net another \$300,000. Giuliani, according to Wolfson, four events held earlier in New York and Washington took in about \$400,000. Those fund-raising events include a major one that she has also raised from a direct-mail

campaign, from personal telephone calls she has made and from unsolicited donations. Wolfson said he did not know how those efforts had netted. The first lady's fund-raising team has set a goal of \$25 million for the race and Wolfson said he believes that target is well within reach. New York's statewide races have been increasingly expensive. In last year's Senate race, then-Republican incumbent Alfonse D'Amato spent more than \$20 million. In last year's governor's race, Democratic winner Charles Schumer spent more than \$15 million. In winning a second term as governor last year, Gov. George Pataki spent more than \$20 million. Faced with the Clinton fund-raising prowess, Republicans and anti-Clinton conservatives are also proving to be money men. New York Gov. Chairman William Fawcett has just launched a new Internet website specifically aimed at raising money to help finance anti-Hillary Clinton work. Other GOP state committees across the country have begun fund-raising efforts based on Mrs. Clinton's expected campaign in New York. All or part of the money raised from those campaigns is to be filtered into New York. Also, in early June, conservative Sen. Alfonse D'Amato spent more than \$1 million to launch his own campaign. Pataki's family, for New York, and for our nation."

Marc Humbert is a political writer for the Associated Press.

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# BUSINESS CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

**ATLANTIC CITY** — The Atlantic City Convention and Visitors Authority hosts the Distribution Computer Expo '99 at the Atlantic City Convention Center. Call 1-800-338-4112.

**CHICAGO** — U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) hosts the Thirtieth Annual Entrepreneurial Women's Conference at Navy Pier, 7:30 a.m. 1-800-U-S-A-S-B-A for more information.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

**WESTFIELD** — The Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Union County hosts a workshop on financial strategies for retirement. 7 p.m. (908) 854-9854.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

**HEMPSTEAD, NY** — Hofstra University's Center for Entrepreneurship at the Scott Skidmore Business Development Center will present a free meeting entitled "Business Planning for Business Success." For more information call (516) 463-6333 & 3:30p.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

**ATLANTIC CITY** — The Atlantic City Convention and Visitors Authority hosts the Action Sports Retailer Trade Expo at the Atlantic City Convention Center.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

**ATLANTIC CITY** — The National Minority Supplier Development Council hosts EXPO Opportunity '99 at the Tropicana Resort & Casino. Call (856) 933-9977 for time and information.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

**MIDDLETOWN** — The Monmouth County Planning Board's Planning Division offers its "Master Computer Training program through Sept. 26. Taun Park. Call (732) 651-7480 for time and information.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

**PLAINFIELD** — The "Bridge Builders to Homeownership" hosts a workshop on homeownership to residents in Plainfield at the Plainfield High School. 9:30 a.m. (908) 226-4905.

# Two Experts offer investment wisdom

A variety of financial experts shared investment insights with over 100 participants at Rutgers Cooperative Extension's fourth MONEY 2000 conference. Below are the highlights:

• William Sterling, author of "Boomeronomics," gave the implications for investors of the aging baby boom generation and of technological advances. By and 2010, boomers will enter their peak years of income, productivity and savings. The next 15 to 20 years will see market downturns but the market trend will be upward. The Dow Jones Industrial Average stock index could rise to 25,000 by 2010, he said.

• Sterling said a "big evil" period will begin around 2011, when boomers start turning 65 and liquidate their assets. Whenever a large number of people (such as 76 million boomers) do something at once, the laws of supply and demand prevail. The "baby bust" generation is 45 percent smaller than boomers, so home prices won't likely collapse, but they won't keep pace with inflation either.

• Other trends affecting investments in the new millennium include the rapid improvement of computer chips, reduction of telecommunications costs, and advances in research into human genes. The Internet will revolutionize the services industry, hurting the "middlemen" such as stock brokers and travel agents.

• According to Sterling, the cardinal rule of "boomeronomics" is "get there before the boomers." Attractive market sectors currently include financial services, health care, consumer products and second homes in desirable locations.

• Where to put your money in 10 to 15 years? Sterling noted the choices are stocks, bonds, cash, or real estate. While some economists are predicting a prolonged market downturn affecting all assets, Sterling says there will "always be large counter parties," and that stock prices will depend more on company earnings than the flow of money into stocks.

## Beware of schemes

Laurie Goodman of the New Jersey Bureau of Securities warned participants about investment fraud, with examples of New Jersey cases. The B of S can help check if people are registered to sell securities, or whether investments are approved for sale. Goodman warned about online "pump and dump" schemes, where an investment is touted and sold at a profit after duping investors. Claims of "guaranteed returns" or "inside information" are other red flags and cause for concern. Call (973) 504-3600.

Goodman warned about pyramid schemes, where people put money into deals and recruit others to join. Using a hands-on activity with the audience, she showed that such deals quickly run out of new recruits and collapse. Most pyramid schemes only need about 12 layers to exceed the entire U.S. population, she said.

To ask about MONEY 2000 and other educational programs to increase your financial well-being, contact the Rutgers Cooperative Extension. (908) 654-5854.

# LISC gets \$1 million for PNC funds work in New Jersey, Pennsylvania

EAST BRUNSWICK — PNC Bank Corp. recently purchased a 10-year bond from Local Initiatives Support Corporation to help fund community reinvestment efforts in New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

LISC will use the \$1 million to finance economic development and other community development projects in New Jersey (525000) in Elizabeth, Newark, Jersey City, Trenton and in Cumberland County, as well as Philadelphia and Pittsburgh in Pennsylvania.

The funds will target New Jersey's Cumberland County and the cities of LISC is the nation's biggest support organization of nonprofit community development corporations

(CDCs). LISC since 1979 has raised nearly \$3 billion for CDCs. They have leveraged the funds to raise an additional \$3.5 billion, develop nearly 80,000 units of affordable housing and 10.3 million square feet of commercial and industrial space.

PNC has supported LISC programs in New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Boston, and National LISC will soon raise \$15.76 million in capital. "Community reinvestment is a top priority at PNC," said Preston D. Pinker, III, PNC Senior VP and manager of community development in New Jersey. "Our investments in community-focused funds and our contributions to community development organizations and other groups have

earned PNC the highest possible rating from government regulators, and they are strengthening the communities we serve."

As the nation's largest non-profit community development financial intermediary, LISC will utilize this long-term funding to support its efforts to finance affordable housing, commercial development, and jobs in inner cities.

"This \$1 million bond purchase by PNC will help us expand our work into projects that require long-term financing, such as building supermarkets," said Tina Brooks, the senior program director of Philadelphia LISC. "That will complement our efforts to finance affordable housing, job-training and other services to needy areas."

## Money Matters

# Start preparing now for economic trouble

Most of us are enjoying the longest economic expansion in U.S. history. Minority unemployment is at an all time low while the purchasing power black Americans is higher than ever. Unfortunately, most of us in the management consulting profession are starting to see cutbacks in business that will lead to a slowdown in America's economy. Our clients are reducing expenses and discussing layoffs. You may not notice the effects today, but I predict that in the next few years will see the economy slow.

Now is the time to prepare. This week, I will discuss three things that you should do to get your finances ready.

• The first thing that you should do is keep sufficient money in a liquid savings account (an account where your principal is safe and you can withdraw money within seven days) that would cover your living expenses for at least six months. I have found that it is prudent to keep an amount equal to one month's expenses in a money market account and the equivalent of five months worth in a conservative mutual fund. If you lose your job, these funds will enable you to live comfortably for six months while you look for a new job. Many employment experts estimate that most people will be able to find a new job in six months.

• The second thing that you should do to prepare for an economic downturn is reduce your expenses and increase your savings. Starting today, spend less money buying things you do not need. Instead of going out to eat three times per week, go out to eat twice a week. Instead of buying five dresses this month, buy four. Instead of staying at the most expensive hotel when you are on vacation, stay at a less expensive hotel. You should take the money you saved and put it into a mutual fund or another solid investment. By increasing your savings you will have a larger financial cushion to protect you against an economic downturn.

• The third thing that you should do to protect yourself is to develop job security. Most people's income is derived by working for someone else. Generally, if you lose your job you lose your ability to pay bills. Too often in economic downturns, people are surprised when they are fired. However, if they truly understood how their company was cutting costs, they could have avoided being let go. Sometimes, employees have to reinvent themselves to become more valuable to their companies. For example, technology is having a tremendous impact on the business world. These days, employees that are not adept with technology risk losing their jobs. You should therefore strive to improve your technology skills so that you will be a more valuable employee. Make sure that your skills and experience match the major employment needs of the company you work for.

To protect yourself, commit to have a minimum of six months of liquid savings, reduce your unnecessary expenses and increase your value to your employer. These three things will go a long way to minimize the financial pain of an economic downturn. Remember, the best time to prepare for bad times is during good times.



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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

**OCEAN GROVE** — The Pre-Millennium Unity Celebration takes place at the Great Auditorium, 8 p.m. Call (973) 678-1217 or (732) 828-2009.

**BELLEVIEW** — Christ Episcopal Church hosts homecoming celebration and festival, 12 p.m. (973) 751-0616.

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**BELLEVIEW** — Christ Episcopal Church presents "Festival Eucharist," a feast of the Holy Cross, 7 p.m. (973) 751-0616.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

**BELLEVIEW** — Christ Episcopal Church presents "Hymn Festival," 7 p.m. (973) 751-0616.

## Church installs new Pastor

**NEWARK** — Recently members of the Pleasant Grove Missionary Baptist Church installed Rev. O. Rodney Brooks as their pastor.

Rev. Brooks succeeds the late Rev. W. J. Harris, who pastored Pleasant Grove for 41 years. "We thank and praise God for the life and ministry of Pastor Harris," Pastor Brooks said.

"We are building on a strong foundation as we prepare ourselves to minister to the needs of our surrounding community."

With a bachelor's degree in theology and an honorary doctorate of divinity, Rev. Brooks brings a wealth of knowledge to the Pleasant Grove pulpit.

Having served six years in the United States Navy Medical/Chaplain Corps and labored as a minister of the gospel for 13 years, He possesses vast experience.

Prior to being called to Pleasant Grove, Rev. Brooks was Minister of Evangelism at Fountain Baptist Church in Summit, NJ. Installed in 1957, Pleasant Grove Missionary Baptist Church was rededicated at 198 Chadwick Avenue, Newark in 1961. Worship service is held at it on Sundays and Bible classes are offered at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesdays.

## Bethany Christian Academy opens doors to diverse programs and extended school year



**NEWARK** — Bethany Christian Academy, an elementary school founded by Bethany Baptist Church, will welcome students for the first time on September 7. After 11 years of planning and fundraising, the 25,000 square foot school was built next to Bethany Baptist Church at 275 West Market Street.

During the 1999-2000 school year, Bethany Christian Academy will offer pre-kindergarten, all-day kindergarten and first grade programs. When fully operational, the school will accommodate 240 students from pre-kindergarten to grade 6.

Dr. James A. Scott, pastor of Bethany Baptist Church and Chairman of the Academy's board said, "After many years of planning and fundraising we will open a school that will provide a strong Christian educational foundation for Newark's youth to succeed as we enter a new century."

Sandra Branhman Tryman, the Academy's principal/CEO, said,

"Our curriculum will place a heavy emphasis on such values as compassion, courtesy, civic responsibility, self-discipline and conflict resolution. We will also offer courses in the sciences, foreign languages, computers and a broad range of multi-cultural programs."

The school will be open to persons of all faiths and will run 11 months instead of 10, as in public schools. All children will wear uniforms. The Academy will offer weekly, monthly, quarterly and annual payment plans.

Tryman said, "While we will not ask parents to participate in the fundraising activities, we will urge them to take an active role in their children's education. We want parents to put an effort into attending parent meetings and helping their children with their school work."

Dr. Scott said, "This is truly an exciting time for our church. With this new addition to its activities, it will be a beacon of hope for our community. Bethany members



Bethany Christian Academy's Principal and CEO Sandra Branhman Tryman should be proud of the hard work and sacrifice they have given in making this project a reality. Since its founding more than 175 years ago, Bethany Baptist

Church has played a leading role in supporting religious and educational missions on local, national and an international level.

### Special Feature

## Ceremony commemorates 1619, the year the first Africans arrived

By Justin Pope

**JAMESTOWN, Va. (AP)** — Rex Ellis walked ashore at Jamestown Island, not far from the spot where Africans first set foot in British North America 380 years ago. "We've come a long way, baby," Ellis, a curator at the National Museum of American History in Washington, D.C., said Saturday at a ceremony marking the anniversary of the landing. The first Africans in British North America most likely arrived scared and confused, and exhausted by war in their homeland and the torturous journey across the ocean. "We arrived in Aquinas and Continentals and BMWs. They arrived in sloops and schooners," said Ellis, one of about 20 black leaders who re-created the landing recently. But while highlighting the progress since the first Africans arrived in 1619, Ellis also urged the audience to use an understanding of

history as a springboard to further action. One woman confronted Ellis after the ceremony, telling him she believed time had changed since 1619. And Joyce B. Hobson, a former member of the Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation board, criticized the foundation for failing to publicize the event as well as it had the 375th anniversary in 1994, which attracted 10,000 people. "This event was a far smaller affair. But most visitors appeared satisfied and said they approved of the ceremony's commemorative — not celebratory — tone. Victor J. J. and Linda Mays drove from Ellicott City, Md., with children Victor Jr., 15, and Bryan, 11, to see a spot Ellis described as "our Mecca." "Becoming more aware of all that our ancestors went through will help our sons to appreciate what's available to them now," Mrs. Mays said. "It's a recognition. It's an acknowledgment," said Robert C. Watson, a history profes-

sor at Hampton University and one of the event's organizers. "It's to honor those individuals whose names we don't have to remember. All of us are descended from them in one way or another." Organizers made the recently discovered "Angola Connection" a prominent theme in the ceremonies and in a roundtable discussion. Until recently, little had been known about "20 and odd" Africans who documents that were shipped in Virginia in 1619. But a law, University of California Berkeley historian Engel Slattery presented evidence that the original 20 were apparently captured in military campaigns in Angola, taken away by Portuguese slavers, and after a circuitous route ended up on a Dutch ship, "The Dutch Man of War," that arrived in Jamestown. Historians believe most of the few hundred Africans who came to Virginia in the first half of the 17th century — they represented two percent

to three percent of the non-Indian population in 1650 — were from the earliest Africans, the first group of 20 may have been indentured servants, but slavery was well-established by mid-century. Herman Flora of Hyattsville, Md., said it was important to remember that many of the original Africans had been free citizens who had managed to acquire land. "It's a joyous occasion that Virginia acknowledges that they weren't all slaves," Flora said. Ms. Hobson criticized Jamestown's endorsement of the recent Angola research, but Watson said the commemoration represents a positive trend toward interest in broader kinds of history. "Any time you find a mainstream institution willing to put this on the agenda, it's a plus," he said. "There should be an acknowledgment slavery happened, and what better place than where it began?"

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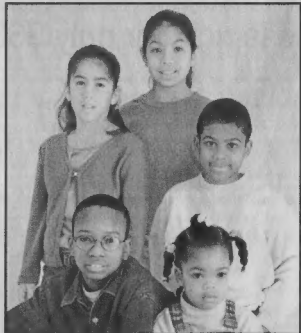
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## Former Black Panther preaches unity

**MANASSAS, Va. (AP)** — John Roger Peyton became obsessed with the thought of killing white people as a member of the Black Panthers in the 1960s. "I was consumed with the fact that I saw whites as people who looked at blacks as subhuman," Peyton said. "We had a feeling of revolution between blacks and whites." But after a white soldier took him to his church one day in 1967, Peyton's views changed. "This man led me to Christ," he said. "It was in this church 32 years ago that I denounced the Panther party, left my bottle of liquor on the altar, my switchblade and denounced all violence." Today, Peyton is a 53-year-old married father of three daughters ages 17, 19 and 27. He is pastor of Reconciliation Community Church near independent Hill, where the community activist preaches unity and acceptance of all races. A sign outside his church office illustrates that view. It depicts a black hand clasping a white hand in friendship. "I think the Lord rescued me," Peyton said during a recent interview at his office, which is filled with pictures of his friends and family. Peyton said since his conversion in 1967, Peyton has traveled the country as a motivational speaker, denouncing the Black Panther Party and white congregations. In the mid-1970s, he served as national director of the Prison Fellowship Ministries program, which was founded by Chuck Colson, President Richard Nixon's special counsel who spent nine months in a federal prison for his role in the break-in at a psychiatrist's office. Peyton, who married his high school sweetheart 32 years ago, now focuses his efforts on building a church for his growing congregation of 160 people. Services are held at two area churches while construction begins on a new church building. He is excited about plans to build a new, spacious church to be completed in 2000. Donations are pouring in from groups, businesses and individuals throughout the country, he said. "We hold the Biblical precept of 'Love thy neighbor' and we hope to enjoy the privilege of being able to be in different denominations and still be a family," said Peyton. But while Peyton is a pastor, he is not in different denominations with all races was an alien concept to Peyton before he made that fateful visit to a white church while stationed in Panama in 1967. He recalled feeling bitter about his mother struggling as a maid serving the white upper class in Hampton and felt resentful toward whites who went to better schools and lived in more affluent neighborhoods. He joined the Black Panthers while in the Army in 1967. The party, which peaked with more than 2,000 members in the mid 1960s, was founded in Oakland, Calif., in 1966. The Panthers eventually developed into a Marxist revolutionary group that called for the arming of blacks, the release of all blacks from jail, and the payment of compensation to blacks for what they described as exploitation by white Americans. "As far as I was concerned, I was in the military to get as much information about the revolution that was supposed to be going down between blacks and whites," Peyton said. "I decided to go in and figure out how this government operates. To me, all whites had to die for the revolution." Peyton recalled meeting a white sergeant who asked him to go to his church, which was run in an American couple in the canal zone in Panama. "I was shocked," Peyton said. "But then I thought I would go to this church and get rid of him because I knew if I went to a white church and saw their racism I could just say, 'you were just like the rest of them.' When I got in that church I had the shock of my life." To his surprise, Peyton said the parishioners treated him with dignity. "They would greet a hug with an embrace, a hug, a hello," he said. "I've never seen that. They invited you into their homes. I was never invited in a white person's home." Peyton said he returned to his barracks and spoke with other members of the Black Panthers that same evening. "I stood up and told them I had just invited Jesus Christ to be lord of my life after going to church with a white brother. And I started waving the door." Peyton expected members to stab him for being disloyal. "When I found myself standing outside the building and they had not, then I realized that not only was my conversion real, but it was a white brother. I was eventually, 30 people in his barracks were going to church with him, he said.

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## Local Briefs

Governor Whitman  
attends School Violence  
Training Seminar

TRENTON — Governor Christine Whitman recently attended a school violence training seminar and will also sign legislation establishing a \$45 million grant program for public library construction and improvement projects. The training seminar is a series of six one-day seminars being offered to school administrators, school crisis management staff and substance awareness coordinators by the Department of Education (DOE) and the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey (UMDNJ). The seminar is being co-hosted by the Department of Human Services' Division of Mental Health and Hospitals and the Lucien Foundation. The Public Library Grant Program created by A-2849, will be administered by the Public Library Construction Advisory Board. Public libraries receiving a grant will be subject to a 3:1 matching requirement. As a result a total of \$150 million will be leveraged for library construction in the state.

Child Support Awareness  
Campaign nominated for  
National Award

TRENTON — The child support awareness and outreach program of the New Jersey Department of Human Services (DHS) is one of three finalists for the prestigious Program Awareness Award of the National Child Support Enforcement Association. Utilizing the slogan, "Child Support. It's More Than Just Money," the DHS program established through the New Jersey Office of Child Support and Paternity Program was unveiled last March by Gov. Christine Whitman at a kick-off event and news conference. "The award is a unique blend of advertising, public relations, with community outreach and training designed to increase awareness of child support issues and encourage non-custodial parents to pay the support due their children. It also informs custodial parents of their rights and the rights of their children to receive support," said Human Services Commissioner Michele K. Gahl. The award will be made during August at the annual conference of the National Child Support Enforcement Conference in Chicago. Other finalists are the programs of the Federal Office of Child Support and the New York State Office of Child Support. In New Jersey, there are more than 400,000 child support cases, with some \$620 million in support distributed to children in 1998. Cumulatively, child support that is owed but not paid is approximately \$1.5 billion, although much of this amount is not likely to be collected.

Newark Councilman  
extends "Sleep-over" at  
area housing complex

NEWARK — As he continues in his fight to take back the Garden Spire housing complex from area drug dealers and drug cartels, Newark Councilman Cory Booker has announced he will extend his stay a few more days as he leads the battle to take back the use of the complex as a housing project for its residents. In an unprecedented show of defiance to the area drug dealers, users, and other criminals in the neighborhood, last week Booker took the dramatic and drastic step of setting up temporary lodging in the front parking lot of Garden Spire, considered by many to be the city's worst public housing complex. Booker said "I consider these extra days important to maintain the positive momentum created as a result of our initial camp out. I'll be here as long as it takes to get the job done." Booker announced the next phase in this ongoing battle at a news conference taken place last week.

Union County offers free  
swim program for dis-  
abled

UNION — The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders is pleased to announce a free, recreational swimming program for people with disabilities. The sessions, which are co-sponsored by the Fairwood-Scotch Plains YMCA, will be held at the Fairwood-Scotch Plains YMCA, 1404 Main Ave., Scotch Plains. The program begins Tuesday, Sept. 14 and will run each Tuesday evening from 6:30-7:30 p.m. through Dec. 21. There is no registration for this activity, just sign in at the front desk upon arrival. People requiring assistance either in the water or the locker room must make their own arrangements for an aide (Individuals providing assistance will be admitted free of charge). Organizations are limited to five people each week, and must provide a chaperone in the water and each locker room if the group is co-ed. The pool is equipped with a hoist lift.

## Inquiring minds want to know about NJ Energy Choice

Though the consumer education campaign is only in its early stage, the number of calls into the New Jersey Energy Choice Call Center (1-877-NJ-5678) is increasing steadily.

A few weeks ago, the call center fielded 1,467 calls. More than 500 of those calls came on Monday, Aug. 2-one day after the New Jersey Energy Choice newspaper insert appeared in 22 newspapers statewide.

The 506 calls received on that day represented a one-day high for the call center, which began serving consumers on July 7.

The previous high was on July 20, when 459 calls came into the center. In all, the call center has handled a total of 6,724 inquiries since the New Jersey Energy Choice campaign began.

"We are seeing a steady increase in calls to the center as the advertising begins to sink in," said Nathan Scott, call center manager. "People want to know what New Jersey Energy Choice means for them," continued Scott.

New Jersey Marketers Enter  
New Jersey

A total of 19 marketers have been provisionally licensed by the Board of Public Utilities (BPU) to act as third-party suppliers for gas and electric customers. The list includes: AllEnergy Marketing Co.; P&L Energy Plus, Co.; Select Energy, Inc.; GPU Advanced



New Jersey Energy Choice made its debut on July 7 with tremendous fanfare

Resources; Exelon Energy; Con Edison; PPL Energy Services, Inc.; Reliant Energy Retail, Inc.; Niagara Mohawk Energy Marketing, Inc.; PS E&G Energy Technologies, Inc.; SJ EnrTrade; South Jersey Energy Co.; AES Power Direct; PG&E Energy Services Corp.; Amerasia Hess Corp.; New Energy Ventures East; New Jersey Natural Energy Co.; Woodruff Energy and Con Edison Solutions.

Consumers can go to the BPU

Web site ([www.njnenr.com/bpu](http://www.njnenr.com/bpu)) to obtain addresses and phone numbers for the initial 19 marketers that have been licensed by the BPU.

The BPU site can also be accessed through a link at [www.njenergychoice.com](http://www.njenergychoice.com). An additional 18 companies have submitted applications to the BPU. Those applications are pending approval.

New Jersey Energy Choice Pre-  
sentations Now Being Scheduled

Groups looking for more information on New Jersey Energy Choice can schedule a presentation for the fall.

The presentations, which will be delivered by representatives from a member company of New Jersey's Utility Education Committee (UEC), will be unbiased and objective. To have a speaker address your group, call Valerie Suterlin at (609)727-1200, ext. 222.

Community Shuttle Program  
a good thing for commuters

Pictured here, Pasarelli (left) speaks about the new Community Shuttle Program while Congressman Payne (right) looks on.

SOUTH ORANGE — U.S. Rep. Bill Pasarelli, Jr., New Jersey Transportation Commissioner James Weinstein and New Jersey Transit Executive Director Jeffrey A. Walsh recently kicked off the statewide "Community Shuttle Program." The trio were joined by U.S. Rep. Donald Payne, South Orange Township President William Calabrese, Maplewood Mayor Gerard Ryan, and Maplewood Councilwoman Ellen Davenport. The Community Shuttle Program will enable communities throughout New Jersey to offer jitney bus service to their residents who use New Jersey Transit trains and busses. The use of shuttles improves access to local train and bus stations for commuters while easing traffic congestion, alleviating the need for the construction of new parking facilities and helping to cut air pollution. Pasarelli, a member of the House Transportation and Infrastructure

Committee, worked to secure \$3.5 million in federal funding for the Community Shuttle Program through TEA-21, the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century. Pasarelli sent letters to the mayors of the 21 towns of the Eighth Congressional District and to all members of the New Jersey Congressional Delegation to inform them of the Community Shuttle Program.

"As the state with the most cars per square mile, we cannot simply add lane upon lane to our roadways. We have no choice but to develop innovative mass transit solutions and that is what New Jersey Transit and I are trying to do," stated Pasarelli. "Now, towns and cities throughout New Jersey will be in a position to provide shuttle service to their residents. This is a creative, cost-effective solution that will improve the very quality of life of our citizens."

New Jersey ceremony reveals  
ranking of top 50 in technology

Richard G. Koboblen, Group Managing Partner of Deloitte & Touche in Parsippany.

New Jersey awards ceremony to reveal ranking of fastest growing technology. The "1999 New Jersey Technology Fast 50" awards program is sponsored by Deloitte & Touche LLP, First Union National Bank, The Nasdaq-Amex Market Group, New Jersey Technology Council, Regional Business Partnership, and University Heights Science Park. The 1999 New Jersey Fast 50 Awards Breakfast is sponsored by Deloitte & Touche International, Inc.; Julien J. Staudley Inc.; The New Jersey Economic and Development Authority; and Riker Danzig, Hyland, Scherer and Perrelli. Attendees had the opportunity to network and meet the 1999 New Jersey Technology Fast 50.

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Community Affairs funds  
Women's Job Training Programs

Commissioner Jane M. Kenny of the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs (DCA) recently approved a series of grants to fund job training centers for un- and underemployed urban women.

The DCA's Division on Women (DOW) is overseeing the grant as part of its Support, Employment, Education, and Training Unit.

The four recipients of this \$15,000 grant are the Camden County Council on Economic Opportunity, the New Jersey State Federation of Colored Women Clubs in Trenton, Essex County College, and the YWCA of Plainfield and North Plainfield.

These programs are funded because of the centers' efforts to

implement training programs to assist minority women in attaining job readiness skills necessary for success.

Other services provided include self-help programs, counseling and support groups, referrals child care, housing assistance, advocacy, entrepreneurial training, computer literacy, and life skills training.

"The DCA recognizes the crucial role these four organizations play in improving the quality of life for hundreds of women statewide," commented Commissioner Kenny. "We hope to be able to continue supporting such programs long into the future."

Each grantee has at least a four-year history of receiving funds from the State, and will receive funds ranging from \$15,000 to \$110,000.

DYFS Launches  
Certification  
Program for  
Foster Homes

TRENTON — As part of an effort to improve the training and professionalism of New Jersey's foster parents, the Division of Youth and Family Services (DYFS) has recently launched a foster-home certification program that includes intensive pre-service training for anyone considering becoming a foster or adoptive parent.

Called Parents As Tender Healers (PATH), the mandatory 24-hour training is now taking place in each New Jersey county for people considering becoming foster or adoptive parents, also called "resource parents."

Its objective is to help prospective resource parents make informed decisions about taking primary responsibility for a child in need of a home. The training takes place during eight three-hour sessions and is facilitated by a DYFS staff person and a foster parent (This program replaces the less intensive training that DYFS previously required for foster parents.)

The training and certification are part of a \$20 million initiative Governor Whitman announced last year to reform New Jersey's Foster Care system. The purpose is to ensure that children in the state's protective services system are safe from harm and are placed in stable homes as soon as possible.

During the training process, the participants learn about the challenges and responsibilities of caring for foster children. Among the topics addressed are how children deal with separation and loss, how children are affected by substance abuse in the home, and how children are affected by physical and sexual abuse. In addition, participants learn about DYFS policies and the role of foster and adoptive parents in helping children in need.

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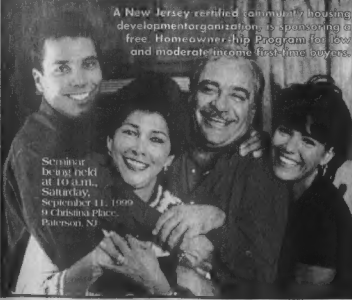
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# From the old school, she goes the extra mile

**Elizabeth's Beverly Rogers wins Teacher of the Year**

By Gilda Rogers  
Staff Writer

They're a special breed teachers. And to be named Teacher of the Year put Beverly D. Rogers in a class by herself. After 26 years with the Elizabeth Public School System, Rogers earned the coveted title from the Rotary Club of Elizabeth in May at this year's first annual presentation.

Another fact which makes Rogers quite special is that she's a kindergarten teacher at Winfield Scott School No. 2 in Elizabeth—the first teacher to introduce most children to their ABC's and 1-2-3's of learning and extended social skills. Even fellow colleagues have commended those teachers like Rogers, who help to cut the apron strings and give children their first real experience in public school.

Nominated by parents for the Teacher of the Year Award, Rogers was surprisingly shocked to find out she had made such an impact in the lives of others. Tammy Neal, the mother of



Beverly Rogers, Elizabeth's Rotary Club Teacher of the Year, is a kindergarten teacher at Winfield Scott Elementary School No. 2 in Elizabeth. Here the mother of two sons (Kevin is not pictured) relaxes at home with son Eric.

Brittany, who was a student of Rogers' wrote a very moving letter. The following is an excerpt.

"Mrs. Rogers has a motherly instinct, she teaches students the way I would give affection to my own child. She teaches her class to have respect for each other's feelings and personal items. . . I have seen her go in her own pocket to make sure a test

fortunate child can go on class trips. Mrs. Rogers will take time out of her schedule after hours to visit her students in the hospital and even if their

parents are sick."

The Railway resident earned a B.A. in elementary education and a master's in early childhood education from Kent University. She thrives on the progress her "little ones" make over a school year.

"I like little people," said Rogers. "And they love you too. I always try and wonder what can I do—how can I really reach this child and make him/her feel better about himself."

And she goes the extra mile when it comes to relating to her kids — so

much so that Rogers doesn't even have a desk in her room for herself. She simply becomes a part of the group.

"It's not a sit down job, you have to be totally involved with the kids all the time," she said.

Her school year upon her, Rogers anxiously awaits the new crop of little ones to enter her classroom, knowing the reward that comes at the end of June.

But first things first — roll call.

## National Council of Negro Women Excellence in Teaching Award Winners for 1999



Janice D. James  
National  
Price Accelerated School  
Louisville, KY



Yvonne J.D. Griffin  
Northeastern Region  
Hartford Public High School  
Hartford, CT

Teachers; they inspire, mold, mentor, and challenge students to achieve. Everyone remembers their favorite, but rarely do we take time to thank these silent heroes for their tremendous dedication to children and their communities.

For ten years, the National Council of Negro Women, Inc. has ensured that teachers receive the recognition they so richly deserve with the annual Excellence in Teaching Award.

"This award highlights the extraordinary efforts teachers make everyday in schools around the country to help students grow into responsible adults and strong leaders," says Dr. Dorothy L. Height, NCNW chair and president emerita.

The award pays tribute to the memory of NCNW's founder, Mary McLeod Bethune.

Seven teachers from across the nation are honored with this prestigious award, which is designed to commend teachers as well as to promote educational opportunities for African Americans.

Sheila Thomas-Williams of Columbus, Miss., Rosita M. Davis of San Diego, and Frances R. Walker of College Park, Ga. round out the group of seven exceptional teachers for 1999.



Lisa Yvette Brown  
Mid-Western Region  
Specialty School for Math/Science  
Chicago, IL



Alesia B. Stocumb-Bradford  
Mid-Atlantic  
Thomas Jefferson Junior High School  
Washington, DC

## Top 10 Tips from America's Teachers of the Year

The state Teachers of the Year across the United States were asked to share their best advice for parents to ensure that their child has a successful school year. The top ten tips from the nation's leading teachers are listed below.

1. Create and organize a quiet place at home for the child to study. Provide the tools needed to "do the job"—a dictionary, a comfortable chair, good lighting, pens and pencils, and set a schedule and routine for homework. Older children may benefit from a day-planner or organizer.
2. Communicate with your child—every day. Ask him or her what happened at school in conversation, not as an interrogation. Share what you are working on, too. Accentuate the positive and discuss negatives in a problem-solving context. Show your child you value education by talking about why it is important to their future.
3. Read with or to your child every day. Reading is the foundation for all other learning. Make sure books, newspapers and magazines are available to your children, and let them see you reading!
4. Get to know your child's teacher or teachers. During the first weeks of school, make an appointment to meet the teachers, and then communicate with them throughout the year.
5. Encourage active and continuous learning with your child. Discuss books or news articles you have both read, or talk about plays or art exhibits you have seen together.
6. Appreciate and celebrate your child for who he or she is and not just for what they accomplish. Nurture their creative spirit through activities that encourage individual expression.
7. Talk about returning to school in a positive and excited way.
8. Encourage your child to get involved in extra-curricular activities. This helps increase your child's sense of belonging to the school community.
9. Volunteer in your child's school. There is no better way to show your child that you support and value education than by being a part of the school community. Everyone has something to offer—whether it's spending a few hours a week helping in classes, making classroom presentations, or assisting in the principal's office.
10. Set goals with your child and help find ways to meet them. Suggest organizing large projects into timelines.



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## School Year 1999-2000

# Tips for Managing Money at College

Living away from home is a personal and financial turning point for many young people. But the feeling of freedom can quickly give way to anxiety if new students aren't savvy about money. The financial pressures can be daunting — many students work during the academic year or have to stretch income from summer jobs. Here are some hints on making the transition from Patricia Q. Brennan, a family and consumer sciences educator with Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Morris County, New Jersey. Brennan is a certified financial planner who teaches courses on money management for young adults and young couples.

**Know Your Money Personality**  
Understanding your money type, or the feelings you have about money, can help you better manage your resources and ward off future money problems. Brennan cites the following

"money types" from "Money Harmony," a book by Olivia Mellan:

■ **SPENDERS** have a hard time delaying gratification and can always find something to spend their money on right now.

■ **HOARDERS** love to hold on to money, enjoy checking account balances, and feel uncomfortable spending money on immediate pleasures.

■ **AVOIDERS** tend to live in a financial fog, procrastinating or avoiding money maintenance chores such as checkbook balancing, bill paying, saving or keeping track of income and debts.

■ **AMASSERS** spend a great deal of time and energy trying to accumulate large amounts of money to spend, save and invest. Their main goal is making money grow.

■ **MONEY MONKS** think that too much money will corrupt them politically or spiritually and feel super-

ior to those who focus their attention on earning or amassing a lot of it.

### Plastic: Handle With Care

Credit cards bring freedom and flexibility when you're away at college, but they can quickly become a trap for the unwary. It's possible to quickly run up bills that will still hang around after you've received your degree. Credit cards offered to college students are inviting, but should be carefully scrutinized.

■ **To start, shop around for the lowest interest rates on credit cards** — and read the fine print on any offer before signing up. Be wary of cards with low introductory rates that jump up at a set period. Skip cards with annual fees.

■ **Charge only as much as you can afford to pay every month.**

■ **Avoid using the card for impulse purchases, meals in restaurants or gifts that you otherwise couldn't afford.**

## Statistics show that Charter Schools serve urban and minority students in New Jersey

In order to have current, reliable, and useful information available about charter schools, the New Jersey Charter School Resource Center (CSRC) recently conducted a survey of the 10 operating charter schools in the state. The CSRC collected data on students, teachers, parents, and innovation in these schools.

"The findings are remarkable," said Sarah Tantillo, former coordinator of the Charter School Resource Center. "Student and teacher attendance rates are high (95 percent and 96.6 percent, respectively), and student mobility rates are low (only 8.6 percent) as compared with typical urban district rates of 30 percent or higher."

"These findings are particularly striking because these charter schools are serving mostly urban students," Tantillo said. Of the 10 charter schools, 22 are located in "At-Risk" (urban special needs) districts. The survey found that 59 percent of these students are eligible for free or reduced-price lunch and 77 percent are minority. "The demand for these independent public schools of choice is high," Tantillo said. More than 4,000 students are enrolled, with more than 2,400 on waiting lists.

Tantillo noted that parent involvement in charter schools is also high. Roughly 42 percent of parents are present at any given school meeting or event, and 82 percent have attended at least one meeting. "Charter schools invite parents to participate, in fact, they rely on the support of parents and other community members to help create and sustain school momentum," Tantillo said. "Parents are drawn to charter schools because they feel welcome, and also because they appreciate the innovations being explored."

The average official school day in New Jersey's charter schools is seven hours long. The schools are typically open for an additional 2.2 hours. The school year is also longer than in districts, an average of 186 days, with several charters open far more than 200 days. And while the days and years are longer, the classes are smaller, with an average of 18 students per class.

"Because these schools are so new (17 of the 30 just opened this year), it is too soon for student achievement data," Tantillo said, "but in the meantime, we can take heart at other forms of achievement in charter schools."

# Space Wars

How to get along with your roommate

By Janice Zazinski

**BOSTON** — "This is the first time I'll have to share a room with someone I've never met," says Tim Fuller, an incoming freshman at Boston University from Westchester, N.Y. "I hope he isn't the type who stays in all the time. I think it would be annoying to have someone there all the time."

Fuller, like many other college freshmen throughout the country, will be living on campus with a roommate he has never met. "I've shared a room with my brother for years so I'm not worried about the sharing bit," he admits. "I'm just concerned he's going to turn out to be a freak."

Kenn Elmore, associate director of residence life at Boston University, where nearly 10,000 undergraduates live in campus housing, says it is normal for students to be concerned. "Living with someone you don't know is a strange situation, so being nervous is understandable. Yet there can be a lot of joy with roommates if you give it a chance."

Elmore has 12 years of experience working with students, and has seen more than 40,000 freshmen enter Boston University during that time. He offers the following suggestions on how new students can develop good relationships with their roommates:

■ **As Socrates said, "Know thyself"** Take time to figure out what your habits are and what interests you before going to school. These are things you'll want to discuss with your roommate.

■ **Be honest about your habits** When talking to housing staff or your roommate, give an accurate description of who you are and how you live.

■ **Call your roommate before going to school** — more than once. Discuss more than what you're majoring in and who is bringing the stereo. Prepare questions to ask about typical weekend activities, favorite music, or what his/her friends are like.

■ **Be open-minded and patient.** First impressions can be misleading. Give your roommate a chance. It may take time to get used to living with someone else.

■ **Roommates don't have to be best friends.** Some of the best roommates are those who have different academic and social interests than you.

■ **Ask before borrowing.** Respect each other's possessions. Borrowing can be one of the biggest problems between roommates, so you should discuss what you're willing to share.

■ **Be considerate.** It's obvious, but true. If your roommate has a 20-page paper due in the morning, don't throw a party in your room.

■ **Communicate.** Your roommate is not a mind-reader. If something is bothering you, say so.

■ **Compromise.** Living with a roommate is not like fast food — you can't always have it your way. Agree on reasonable rules about music, having friends over or study time.

■ **Talk to your Resident Assistant.** Small problems can turn into big problems if you ignore them. Your RA is here to help.

"College students spend a lot of time in and around their rooms," Elmore says. "How they get along with their roommates can affect every aspect of their college experience, including academic success. Developing a positive relationship with your roommate allows you to concentrate on what you're really at college to do."

Fuller is maintaining a positive attitude about meeting his roommate and says he is "more optimistic than nervous." "I'm sure I'll be able to get along with my roommate and that I'm learning to get along with people is such an important part of college anyway."

## Newark Club hosts distinguished educators

The 1,000 Friends of Education hosts a monthly luncheon to inform, illuminate and provoke citizens and educators about current issues. All lunches are held at Noon at the Newark Club, at McCarter Highway and Raymond Boulevard.

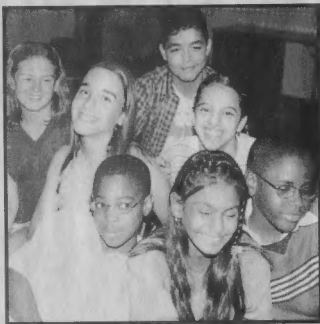
■ **Thursday, September 23:** Merrill Hall, Head of the Calvert School, will tell what happened when Calvert's intense and rigorous curriculum was introduced to two of the city's poorest public schools. Student achievement soared, then the partnership was dissolved.

■ **Thursday, October 28:** Dr. Arthur Levine, President of Teachers College, one of the nation's most distinguished scholars and educational leaders will speak on timely and urgent matters.

■ **Thursday, November 18:** David Grant, Executive Director of the Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation, will reflect on his first year running the state's largest private supporter of educational projects.

■ **Thursday, December 16:** Dr. John Grisco has created New Jersey's equivalent to Staynes High or Bronx Science in Bergen County by acting boldly and bending bureaucratic rules.

## The Newark Public Schools Welcomes Students, Parents and Staff to the 1999-2000 School Year



**School Opens Thursday, September 9, 1999**

**Elementary School hours 8:25 a.m. to 2:55 p.m.**

**High School hours 8:15 a.m. to 2:40 p.m.**

### Student Registration

Parents registering students into school for the first time must show the child's:

- Birth certificate (A child must be 5 years old on or before October 1, 1999)
- Immunization Documents
- Parents'/Guardians' proof of residency (i.e. current utility bill)
- Students transferring in from another district or from one Newark school to another must also provide a copy of their transfer records.

**To register for pre-kindergarten a child must be four years old on or before October 1, 1999. To register for Kindergarten a child must be five years old on or before October 1, 1999.**

For additional information on school registration and immunization requirements, contact your neighborhood school.

### Immunization Requirements

- Immunization records must include specific dates for at least four doses of diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis vaccines. One of the four doses must have been administered on or after the child's fourth birthday.
- The child's records should include information on vaccinations for rubella, mumps and a minimum of three doses of oral polio vaccines. One of the three doses must have been administered on or after the child's fourth birthday.
- Records must show dates for measles vaccinations. Students entering kindergarten must show dates for two measles vaccinations after the child's first birthday.

Free immunizations are available at the Division of Community Health, located at 110 William Street in Newark.

### Attendance Policy

School attendance is required by state and municipal law. Excessive absences during the school year may result in student retention.

### Marking Periods

September 9, 1999 to November 19, 1999  
November 22, 1999 to February 4, 2000  
February 7, 2000 to April 14, 2000  
April 24, 2000 to June 26, 2000

### Report Card Distribution

December 2, 1999  
February 16, 2000  
May 2, 2000  
June 26, 2000

Warning notices regarding students' unsatisfactory progress will be sent home on or about the 25th day of each marking period.

### 1999-2000 School Calendar

September	6	Labor Day
	7	Orientation-10 month employees
	8	Staff Development Day
October	11	Columbus Day
	20	Staff Development Day
November	1	Puerto Rico Recognition Day
	2	Election Day
	11	Veterans' Day
	12-25-26	Teachers' Convention Thanksgiving Holiday
December	24-31	Winter Recess
January	3	Administrative Day
	17	Martin L. King Jr.'s Birthday
February	26	Staff Development Day
	11	Lincoln's Birthday
March	21	Presidents' Day
	22	Staff Development Day
April	17-21	Spring Recess
May	29	Memorial Day
June	26	Last day (students and teachers)

### School Closings

Whenever it is necessary to close schools or to delay the opening of schools due to weather conditions or other emergencies which may develop overnight, announcements of closings or delayed openings shall be made over the radio stations listed below between 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m.

WOR-710 AM  
WINS-1010 AM  
NJ-101.5 FM  
WADO-1280 AM  
(Spanish Language Station)

WCBS-880 AM  
WBLS-107.5 FM  
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## Health Calendar

## THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

**SOUTH PLAINFIELD** — The American Red Cross of Greater Union County will hold a blood drive at the Rochester Health and Rehab Club, 5 p.m. (908) 756-6414.

**CEDAR GROVE** — The Blood Center of New Jersey will hold a blood drive at Cedar Grove Ambulance and Rescue Squad, 3 p.m. 1-(800) 800-0000.

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

**WAYNE** — The Blood Center of New Jersey will hold a blood drive at Wayne General Hospital, 3 p.m. 1-(800) 800-0000.

**SOMERSET** — Saint Peter's University Hospital offers a support group for women breastfeeding at Horneraie Avenue Shore conference room, 3:30 p.m. (732) 745-8600.

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

**BLAIRSTOWN** — The Blood Center of New Jersey will hold a blood drive at Masonic Blauvelt Lodge, 8 a.m. 1-(800) 800-0000.

**LIVINGSTON** — The Blood Center of New Jersey will hold a blood drive at St. Bernard Medical Center, 6:30 a.m. 1-(800) 800-0000.

## MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

**RUTHERFORD** — The Blood Center of New Jersey will hold a blood drive at the Rutherford Street Fair, 10 a.m. 1-(800) 800-0000.

**LIVINGSTON** — The Blood Center of New Jersey will hold a blood drive at St. Bernard Medical Center, 6:30 a.m. 1-(800) 800-0000.

**BUDO LAKE** — The Blood Center of New Jersey will hold a blood drive at Masonic Macaulay Lodge, 8 a.m. 1-(800) 800-0000.

**TEANECK** — Holy Name Hospital offers a support group for families experiencing the death of a baby before or after birth, 7:30 p.m. (201) 833-3058.

## TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

**EAST ORANGE** — The Blood Center of New Jersey will hold a blood drive at its headquarters, 10 a.m. 1-(800) 800-0000.

**BELLE MEAD** — The Carrier Foundation offers a free program to help caregivers of older adults cope with the challenges of day-to-day caring at the foundation's Counseling Center, 6:30 p.m. 1-(800) 833-3579.

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

**EDISON** — JFK Medical Center offers a course in vaginal birth after cesarean section, 7 p.m. (732) 632-1530.

**JERSEY CITY** — The Jersey City Medical Center will hold a support meeting for newly diagnosed breast cancer patients at the hospital's conference room, 6 p.m. (201) 915-2000.

## MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

**WESTFIELD** — St. Helen's Church hosts a support group meal for those caring elderly and chronically ill, 6 p.m. (908) 233-8757.

**NEW BRUNSWICK** — Saint Peter's University Hospital offers support group for patients who have had or are considering gastric reduction surgery at the hospital's conference room, 7:30 p.m. (732) 745-8600.

## TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

**EDISON** — JFK Medical Center offers a course in infant care for adoptive parents, 7 p.m. (732) 632-1530.

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

**JERSEY CITY** — Jersey City Medical Center will hold a support group meeting for breast cancer survivors at the hospital's conference room, 6 p.m. (201) 915-2273.

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

**CRANFORD** — Garry Cooney, Leslie Kay Shilling, & Keith Colours lead walkers in America Walk For Diabetes. The walk will take place at Northridge Park in Cranford. Call 1-(800)-254-WALK for time and information.

## TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

**EDISON** — The JFK Medical Center offers a class to parents thinking of adoption, 7 p.m. (732) 632-1530.

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

**EDISON** — JFK Medical Center offers a course on grandparenting, 7 p.m. (732) 632-1530.

## MONDAY, OCTOBER 4

**TEANECK** — Holy Name Hospital offers a support group for families experiencing the death of a baby before or after birth, 7:30 p.m. (201) 833-3058.

## TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5

**BELLE MEAD** — The Carrier Foundation offers a free program to help caregivers of older adults cope with the challenges of day-to-day caring at the foundation's Counseling Center, 6:30 p.m. 1-(800) 833-3579.

## The Future of Health Education

## Three locals make the grade as '99 minority medical fellows

**PRINCETON** — The Bristol-Myers Squibb Foundation and National Medical Fellowships, Inc. recently announced the selection of 26 medical students fellows in the Fellowship Program in Academic Medicine for Minority Students.

"These fellows are among the nation's most gifted minority medical students," said Vivian Manning Fox, president of National Medical Fellowships, a not-for-profit organization that administers the program. By awarding these fellowships, we hope to provide these medical school students with research experiences that encourage them to choose careers in academic medicine. "This year's fellows represent 18 top American medical schools including Harvard, Yale, UCLA, and Weill-Cornell."

Each fellow, which includes Adrienne A. Phillips of Orange, Gary Stewart of Wrightstown, and Renee Boyette, Janet of Englewood, was nominated by his or her medical school dean and a faculty member.



Adrienne A. Phillips of Orange was recently awarded The Fellowship Program in Academic Medicine for Minority Students.

The faculty member agrees to mentor the fellow on a biomedical research project, chosen by the fellow, which is conducted over the course of two to three months.

The fellows, who are third and fourth-year medical students, present the results of their research at an annual symposium hosted by Bristol Myers Squibb.

"As a company that understands the benefits of diversity in the workplace, we recognize that diversity also benefits the academic and biomedical research communities," said John L. Danovitz, president of the Bristol Myers Squibb Foundation, the fellowship program's funder. "We are pleased to support this outstanding group of fellows as they help lead the way."

The fellowship program is designed to encourage medical students from minority groups underrepresented in academic medicine and biomedical research to explore and pursue careers in these fields. African-Americans, Hispanics, Puerto Ricans, Mexican-Americans, and Native Americans make up 18 percent of the population in the United States, but less than four percent of the MD faculty in the nation's medical schools.

## Newark resident completes pre-chiropractic program

**BLOOMFIELD** — Saraswati Walker of Newark recently completed Bloomfield College's Pre-Chiropractic Program and was among 20 pre-chiropractic and post-chiropractic students honored at the College's Recognition ceremony. Walker will matriculate at Los Angeles College of Chiropractic in the fall, taking advantage of Bloomfield College's articulation agreement with the institution.

Bloomfield College's Pre-Chiropractic Program offers a sequence of courses designed to prepare students for entry into programs leading to the doctor of chiropractic degree. Because of the program's high caliber and the quality of its students, Bloomfield College has preferred seating arrangements with 11 of the 15 chiropractic colleges accredited by the Council of Chiropractic Education. Bloomfield College's Post-Chiropractic Program offers holders of the D.C. degree an opportunity to complete the requirements for the D.S. degree.



Saraswati Walker of Newark (second right) receives her Pre-Chiropractic diploma from Bloomfield College professor Alice Sawyer, vice-president Ilona H. Anderson and Frank Zaccaria, D.C.

Since 1975, Bloomfield College's Pre-Chiropractic Program has served more than 450 students from New Jersey, New York, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, Vermont, as well as other states to learn more about Bloomfield College's Pre-Chiropractic Program, call at 973-748-9000, ext. 315.

## Nursing students wanted UCC enrolls on site

**CRANFORD** — Nowadays, working as a nurse has many career opportunities, not just employment at a hospital.

Nurses are needed in long-term care facilities, which are quickly on the rise as a larger percentage of America's population is older and needing care.

In addition, almost 50 percent of today's nurses will be eligible for retirement in the next ten years, another factor contributing to concerns about the shortage of trained nurses now and in the future.

On the positive side, the impending shortages will open tremendous career opportunities for the licensed Registered Nurse (R.N.) and Licensed Practical Nurses (LPN).

Thus, Union County College on site and Elizabeth General Medical Center School of Nursing are interested in readying students

to enter the nursing profession. This workshop is for students who have not yet applied to the program. The workshop is an opportunity to learn about the R.N. program and the LPN to R.N. program.

Students who have previous college credit are encouraged to bring an unofficial transcript with them for credit evaluation on site. If a student meets the eligibility requirements of the program, they will be admitted "on the spot" so they can begin the registration process for the fall semester.

The Fall Semester begins September 2, 1999. In addition, general information about UCC and financial aid forms will be available.

For more information call the Office of Recruitment at (908) 709-7518.

## HBO's hosts online auction to benefit cancer research

**NEW YORK** — HBO recently sponsored an online charity auction to benefit cancer research for women.

Throughout last month, more than 20 prizes from a variety of corporate donors, including memorabilia from HBO's original movie

"Introducing Dorothy Dandridge," were available for bids on eBay, the world's largest person-to-person trading community.

All proceeds were donated to Halle Berry of the National Women's Cancer Research Alliance, a project of The Entertainment Industry Foundation is committed to the conduct of "cutting edge" research directed at the development of new and

more effective approaches to the diagnosis and treatment of breast and ovarian cancer.

Halle Berry, who is an executive producer of the film as well as its title is a member of the NWCRA's CelebMy Council.

Among the items auctioned off were costumes and a necklace worn by Berry in the movie, the original 1954 issue of Life featuring Dandridge on the cover from Life Magazine, a weekend in Palm Springs donated by Self Magazine, a night on the town in New York City from Mademoiselle Magazine, a cooking lesson and dinner with the food editor from Redbook Magazine, a home satellite system from DirecTV, dinner with a soap opera star from Soap Opera Digest, and much more.

Information on the auction and the film "Introducing Dorothy Dandridge" can be found at [www.hbo.com/dndridge](http://www.hbo.com/dndridge).

## Health and dental clinics open at Quitman and Dayton Street public elementary schools

**NEWARK** — The Healthcare Foundation of New Jersey and The Presidential Foundation in collaboration with the Newark Public Schools and the Saint Barnabas Health Care System, today inaugurated school-based health and dental clinics at Newark's Quitman and Dayton Street Elementary Schools.

These healthcare facilities are located inside each school in converted classrooms. The clinics will provide annual physical and dental examinations as well as "walk-in" care for the students.

The goal of the partnership between the clinics is to eventually provide all Newark children with access to physical and dental and counseling services in the school setting.

"Foundation, healthcare and public school resources are now allied to help these young people become healthy learners," states Mark S. Hochberg, M.D., President of The Healthcare Foundation of New Jersey.

"The Healthcare Foundation is thrilled to be working with all of these organizations to provide a healthier Newark now and into the millennium." The medical and dental care for the clinics is provided by the Saint Barnabas Healthcare System through its Children's Hospital of New Jersey/Newark. Beth Isaac, Medical Center affiliate, Two years ago the first school-based healthcare clinic was opened at George Washington Carver Elementary School in Newark's South Ward through a \$389,000 grant from the Healthcare Foundation of New Jersey.

The Carver Clinic has already seen over 1,000 Carver students, many of whom returned the clinic for follow-up medical visits. The clinics also provide counseling services to assist students

with personal concerns.

Beverly Hall, State Superintendent of Newark Schools, noted the success of the two-year health clinic experiment at the Carver School and hailed the opening of two more clinics as an important tool in making Newark's future more successful.

In order to ensure that our children are able to learn at their maximum potential, they must be healthy learners; their medical, educational and social needs must be met. The implementation of school-based health clinics in our schools will further ensure our children's chances to succeed in and out of the classroom.

The Quitman and Dayton schools are being funded through a \$550,000 grant from The Healthcare Foundation of New Jersey and a \$150,000 grant from The Presidential Foundation. Presidential has identified Quitman Street School as its first "community school" in Newark, and sees schools as service as one part of the enhancements to the delivery of education for these students.

How well a student feels directly impacts his or her ability to learn," said Michele Darling, Chair of the Presidential Foundation. "We are proud to help create a school environment where healthy children can be focused on learning."

Ronald Del Mauro, President and CEO of the Saint Barnabas Health Care System said "We are committed to delivering the finest health care to New Jersey's children. The school-based health clinics are particularly effective because previously unrecognized and unmet medical conditions can now be promptly identified and treated through these same environments."

If you would like to give your opinion on any health

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# Artz Wednesday

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## Annual Blues, Brews and BBQs Festival



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**JACKSON**—Labor Day weekend at Six Flags Great Adventure promises to be rockin' on September 4 and 5 when the 2nd Annual Blues, Brews and BBQs Festival returns to the park for a command performance. Experience this dynamic trio of festivals melding soulful, rhythmic music with richly diverse food and brews from this region and around the world. Featuring over 20 great bands, the event runs each day from 12:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the Garden of Eatin' section of the park, and all music is included in the price of admission.

**Saturday, September 4:** A heavy-weight roster comprised of The Ike Turner Revue, Son Seals, Tommy Castro, Big Bill Morganfield with Bob Margolin Joanna Connor and more.

**Sunday, September 5:** Will feature such hard-hitters as The Lone Star Shootout (with Lonnie Brooks, Long John Hunter and Phillip Walker), along with Rod Piazza & The Mighty Flyers, Tinsley Ellis, The Kinsey Report and the James Solberg Band.

## The Duke Continues



Duke Ellington

### FALL 1999

Jazz at Lincoln Center's celebration of The Ellington Centennial continues!

• All events in 1999 focus on the music of Duke Ellington.

• Jazz at Lincoln Center's celebration of The Ellington Centennial is made possible with generous support from the Doris Duke Charitable Foundation.

### SEPTEMBER 1999

Jazz Talk: "Beyond Category: The Recorded Legacy of Duke Ellington" Featuring George Avakian and Ted Macero, moderated by Nat Hentoff (Tuesday, September 14, 1999) 7pm Stanley H. Kaplan Penthouse, \$10. Jazz at Lincoln Center dedicates this event to the memory of Stanley Dance (1910-1999).

### 1999-2000 Season Opening Night Series

"Rockin' in Rhythm: The Small Band Music of Duke Ellington" Featuring Joe Lovano, Nicholas Payton, and Dianne Reeves, Thursday, Friday, & Saturday, September 16, 17 & 18, 1999, 8pm, Alice Tully Hall, \$45.

### Nicholas Payton

### OCTOBER 1999

The Ellington Lecture Series (in collaboration with The Juilliard School) "Piano in the Foreground-Ellington The Pianist" Led by Dick Katz (Monday, October 4, 1999, 7pm, Morse Hall, The Juilliard School, FREE (no tickets required)).

Jazz at the Penthouse: Eric Reed, solo piano (Thursday, Friday & Saturday, October 7, 8 & 9, 1999, 8pm, Stanley H. Kaplan Penthouse, \$40).

## Royal reggae family "Don't Haffi Dread"



Photo by William Richards

Jamaica's reggae group Morgan Heritage announced a second leg of their U.S. tour throughout California, Utah, New Mexico and Arizona.

**NEW YORK**—At a time when uplifting, positive roots, reggae is often cited as becoming an endangered musical species Jamaica's Morgan Heritage are garnering major critical acclaim and reaching a greater audience than ever before.

The group, which released their third album "Don't Haffi Dread" on VP Records this year, has just announced a second leg of their U.S. tour with ska/reggae legends Israel Vibration. The tour will take Morgan Heritage throughout California while making stops in Utah, New Mexico, Arizona, Oregon and Washington. Infusing their music with a

sense of spirituality handed down to them by their father, reggae star Denroy Morgan (author of the 1981 gold-certified U.S. single "I'll Do Anything For You"), Morgan Heritage is the leading young roots reggae group in Jamaica today. "In order to become the musicians we are now, we had to play other kinds of music," says Morgan Heritage's 25-year-old keyboard player and vocalist, who is known as Grandpa. "We played R&B and Rock 'n' Roll to develop our musical chops. But we always knew that our base was reggae, and that's what we always come back to. 'Don't Haffi Dread' the title conveys the group's belief that it isn't necessary to have

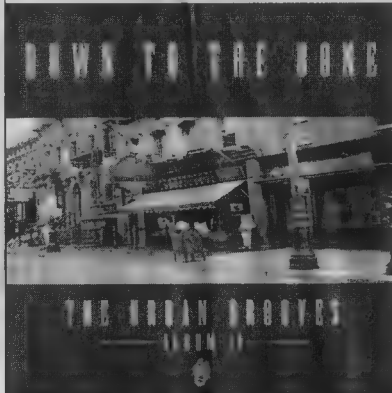
dread locks to be a Rastafarian," finds Morgan Heritage joined in the studio by producer Bobby "Digital" Dixon, best known as one of the men behind dance hall kingpin Shabba Ranks' Grammy success. The album's positive lyrics reflect Morgan Heritage's religious beliefs, and address a broad range of topics such as equality, family unity and the healing powers of music. On "Reggae Road Block," the group laments tight radio and video play lists that keep music fans from hearing reggae music. "So many great songs never heard on radio. So many great songs never seen by video. How many singers will your system defile

And the players of instruments just last for a while, in this reggae roadblock."

Morgan Heritage's members Mr. Mojo (age 21), Lukes (age 23), Peter (age 24), Grandpa (age 25) and Una (age 26) are actually just 5 of Denroy Morgan's 29 children. Before moving back to Jamaica, the Morgan Family was based in Brooklyn, New York. "By growing up in America, we were always aware of American culture," says lead singer Peter "Springfield" is close to the countryside, like Jamaica.

We've even had chickens running around our yard in both places."

## Getting "Down to The Bone" in the U.S.



Joining Down to The Bone on their U.S. tour were members of Jamiroquai, Brand New Heavies and Sade to name a few

**NEW YORK**—In support of their new album, The Urban Grooves: Album II, Down to the Bone producers Chris Morgans and Stuart Wade along with members of Jamiroquai and the Brand New Heavies performed a series of live concert dates throughout the United States last month. Combining the sounds of jazz with hip-hop, soul and funk, the touring band featured a host of highly acclaimed musicians whose performance credits included such bands as Jamiroquai, the Brand New Heavies and Sade. To name a few. Long Way From Brooklyn is the first single released from The Urban Grooves Album II and has already proven to be radio friendly. With its funky melody and up tempo rhythm, the single is currently the #1 new and active single on the R&B/NAC/Smooth Jazz Tracks Chart and in its first week became the No. 2 most added single on Gavin's Smooth Jazz & Vocals Chart. Having already received critical acclaim from around the country, Long Way From Brooklyn

can be heard on numerous radio stations. Down to The Bone, sponsored by two young producers—Chris Morgans and Stuart Wade—comprise of some of the most talented musicians whose unique cross-genre approach creates a hybrid of musical styles. Their goal for "jazz groove" was to pay homage to that classic American jazz sound, while injecting a modern energy. In the way, they hoped to bring jazz out of the "easy listening" stereotype that the majority of jazz radio had adopted by adding a healthy dose of funk. The pair's vision of "Urban Grooves" quickly found an audience in the U.K. as a series of singles, recorded with A-list jazz players from across England, found success and led to the recording of Manhattan To Station. The word of mouth groundswell caused Manhattan To Station to come in under the radar screen of most U.S. music press, while it very quietly sold over 150,000 copies without any support from a record company and became the No. 5 Contemporary Jazz album of 1998.

## Juxtapose: A Tricky Hybrid

Even among the chosen few artists currently experimenting with the sonic structure of black pop music, Tricky walks to the beat of a different drum machine. "I've always felt comfortable doing things the hard way instead of going for the obvious," says Tricky.

On his latest opus, entitled Juxtapose, Tricky has fallen down a surrealist rabbit hole where player slayers dwell and blunted beats have become the constant soundtrack; an illusive world where electric guitars blare, gleaming turntables scream, and above it all Tricky's immutable vocals moan in the mix. "I chose to name this disc Juxtapose, because the concept was to create a hybrid of my favorite music," says Tricky. Transfixed by the powerful sounds of America's gritty underground, which included

the holy trinity of Rakim, Chuck D and Slick Rick, young Adrian (Tricky) Thaws' entire musical aesthetic shifted once he began to absorb these boastful, foreign voices from across the ocean. "The first time I heard Slick Rick doing 'La-Di-Da-Di,' I'd never heard anything like it in my entire life. "From that moment, I started telling my nephews I was a rapper, in fact, I told people I was a rapper for a year before I even wrote my first rhyme."

Over a decade later, when Tricky began mixing the monster movie funk and spooky electric punk of his sonic cocktails—smoky dub—Maxinquaye (1995), Pre-Millennium Tension (1996), Angels With Dirty Faces (1996) and countless ad hoc projects, he still embraced the words of rap-speak.

Witness Juxtapose, an

album that marks the first time Tricky has decided to loosen his creative reigns in favor of boom-bastic collaborations. "I've never allowed another producer to incorporate their music into my albums," explains Tricky. "But there are dudes like DJ Muggs (of Cypress Hill fame) and Cypress (Ruff Ryders, DMX producer) that I really wanted to work with," says Tricky. And with Juxtapose, he feels that his original vision has become a reality."

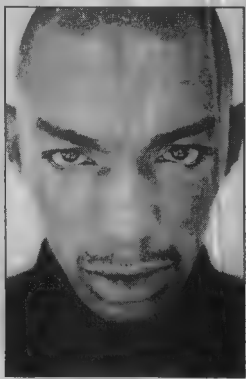


Photo by Joseph Culliffe

Tricky

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**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1**

**NEW YORK** — The Knickerbocker Bar and Grill presents pianist Pierre Huel and bass player Jonathan Robinson through Sept. 4 8 p.m. (212) 228-8490.

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3**

**BLOOMFIELD** — The Essex County Free Summer Concert presents Ship-n-Out and the Drifters at Brookdale Park. 7:30 p.m. (973) 268-3500.

**CAPE MAY** — The Mid-Atlantic Center hosts a traveling art exhibition of fine glass art work presented by the Museum of American Glass entitled "Glass for the Victorian Table" 10 a.m. 1-(800)-868-4532.

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7**

**MADISON** — The New Jersey Shakespeare Festival presents its production of "Enter the Guardians" at the F.M. Kirby Shakespeare Theater. 8 p.m. (973) 409-3607.

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8**

**NEW YORK** — The Knickerbocker Bar and Grill presents pianist Steve Kuhn, bass player David Fick, and drummer Bill Drummond through Sept. 11 8 p.m. (212) 228-8490.

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11**

**MILLVILLE** — The Gallery of American Craft at Whinston Village hosts an art exhibit and sale of entertaining crafts. 10 a.m. (609) 825-6800.

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25**

**NEWARK** — The New Jersey Performing Arts Center (NJPAC) presents Jay Leno live, with music from The Second Anniversary Gala. Celebrating NJPAC's Second Anniversary with an evening hosted by America's king of comedy who welcomes a variety of special music guests. 8 p.m. 1-(888)-GO-NJPAC.

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26**

**NEWARK** — The New Jersey Performing Arts Center (NJPAC) presents Baby Makin', solo a capella concert. A Metropolitan area exclusive appearance and an NJPAC debut. The event is part of the ARTIST Series. 8 p.m. 1-(888)-GO-NJPAC.

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1**

**NEWARK** — The New Jersey Performing Arts Center (NJPAC) presents Latin Jazz Festival featuring The Chacho Valdes Quintet and The Danilo Perez Trio. 8 p.m. 1-(888)-GO-NJPAC.

**BROOKLYN, NY** — World Festival 2000 returns with a weekend of food, fun and music for the whole family at Fort Hamilton Military Base through Oct. 11. Call (718) 630-4962.

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9**

**NEWARK** — The New Jersey Performing Arts Center (NJPAC) presents Festival Cautivo: Asaltos with Conjuno Fokloriko De La Alianza Dominicana and Viento De Agua at 2 p.m. At 8 p.m., Edward Valdes Quintet and The Danilo Perez Trio. 8 p.m. 1-(888)-GO-NJPAC.

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10**

**NEWARK** — The New Jersey Performing Arts Center (NJPAC) presents the Edward Valdes's Miami City Ballet. 3 p.m. 1-(888)-GO-NJPAC.

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14**

**NEWARK** — The New Jersey Performing Arts Center (NJPAC) presents The Kings Singers and Evelyn Glennie, percussion. A Metropolitan area exclusive and NJPAC debut. 7:30 p.m. 1-(888)-GO-NJPAC.

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15**

**NEWARK** — The New Jersey Performing Arts Center (NJPAC) presents the Brazilian dance group Quasar. 7:30 p.m. 1-(888)-GO-NJPAC.

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21**

**NEWARK** — The New Jersey Performing Arts Center (NJPAC) presents Gensia Barrios with special guest Waldemar Baños. 7:30 p.m. 1-(888)-GO-NJPAC.

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22**

**NEWARK** — The New Jersey Performing Arts Center (NJPAC) presents the Moscow State Radio Symphony Orchestra and Chorus. Opera Gala featuring soloists from The Bolshoi Opera. 8 p.m. 1-(888)-GO-NJPAC.

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23**

**NEWARK** — The New Jersey Performing Arts Center (NJPAC) presents Remembering WeSelves: Black Renaissance in Newark. Opera Gala featuring soloists from The Bolshoi Opera. 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. 1-(888)-GO-NJPAC.

**Adults \$18 Children Under 14 \$9**

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31**

**NEWARK** — The New Jersey Performing Arts Center (NJPAC) presents The Devil Wears Red featuring Arnie Raskin, David Murray, Doudou N'Diaye Rose, David Black and special guests. 5 p.m. 1-(888)-GO-NJPAC.

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6**

**NEWARK** — The New Jersey Performing Arts Center (NJPAC) presents the musical "Pinochio" through Nov. 7. 12 p.m. and 2 p.m. 1-(888)-GO-NJPAC.

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 11**

**7:30 p.m. Victoria Theater The Flying**

# "The Blues in Black and White" now on view at WBGO studios

**NEWARK** —WBGO Jazz 88.3 FM's latest art exhibit featuring the work of Diana Craft and Chris Osborne is on view at the WBGO studios, located at 54 Park Place in Newark, July 22-September 17. The exhibition is open to the public during business hours Monday -Friday, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Diana Craft is a local artist and award-winning illustrator as well as the recipient of the 1996 Fellowship Grant from the New Jersey State Council of the Arts. Craft's latest exhibit, "The Blues in Black and White (Jazz Portraits)," is a series of portraits that pays tribute to the music and voice of artists who have been an inspiration to her.

In these paintings, Craft attempts to capture the essence and emotion that these performers evoke.

The paintings were created by layers of paper and canvas, along with paint, pencil, and charcoal.

The use of layers is appropriate for the multi-layered musicians depicted in the

paintings.

Chris Osborne was raised in Connecticut and received an art degree from Bard College and an MBA in printmaking from the University of Wisconsin in Madison.

While living in New York City during the 1980s, his focus shifted from lithographs to painting.

Osborne's figurative art combines a marked sensitivity to the inconsistent character of light with the ability to portray interesting facets of public image in musical personalities.

Celebrating twenty years of broadcasting, WBGO 88.3 FM serves the metropolitan area with the best in jazz, blues, world music, and information services 24 hours a day.

Licensed to Newark Public Radio in 1979 to operate as a not for profit organization, WBGO is the area's only full time traditional jazz station.

More information about the station and its programming can be located on the web at [www.wbgo.org](http://www.wbgo.org).



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# "Black Cat, White Cat" wins silver in race for best director



Photo by Peter Popovic

Emir Kusturica directs a scene on the set of his film Black Cat, White Cat, an October Films release.

Bosnian-born writer/director Emir Kusturica is one of the most original filmmakers of our time.

Now, he combines his style of visual excitement with farcical slapstick comedy and folklore to conjure up Black Cat, White Cat.

The film earned Kusturica the Silver Lion Award for Best Director at the 1998 Venice Film Festival.

Filled with colorful, larger-than-life characters, Black Cat, White Cat centers around a group of gypsies who live on the banks of the Danube River.

Grga Ptic (Sabir Sulejman) and Zarje Destanov (Zabit Mehmedovski) are octogenarian patriarchs.

The very old friends (and rivals) have their fates yoked together once Matko Destanov (Bajram Severdzan), Zarje's low-life son, engineers a train heist that goes awry.

Double-crossed into debt, Matko is obliged to force his son, Zare Destanov (Florjan Ajdini), into an arranged marriage to Afrodita (Salija Ibrahimova).

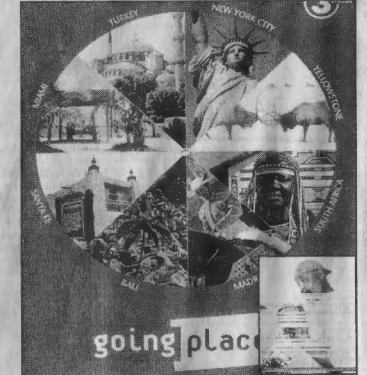
Grga and Zarje are reconnected by their families and friends cope with betrayals, lust, mishaps, parties, death, some rousing gypsy music, pigs, geese—and the pursuit of true love and true friendship.

Black Cat, White Cat was co-produced by CIBY 2000, the French production company founded in 1990 by Francis Bouygues to promote the work of directors with personal vision.

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Thirteen/WNET's travel show, Going Places, premieres September 6 with host James Avery

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For eight weeks, viewers journey with real travelers to some of the world's most interesting destinations when Thirteen/WNET's Going Places returns for its third season Monday, September 6 at 8 p.m. (ET) on PBS (check local listings). Actor James Avery (Fresh Prince of Bel Air, Spinelli) is the host of public television's popular travel series, which airs weekly and is presented nationally on PBS by Thirteen/WNET in New York.

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Viewers come along as the series' travelers cruise Turkey's warm Mediterranean coast in a traditional sailing boat and ride horseback across the eerie landscape of Cappadocia. They join Avery and his wife, Barbara, in an exploration of Bali's distinctive rituals and culture. Viewers also zoom through Yellowstone on a snow mobile in below zero temperatures and take to the slopes in Jackson Hole, Wyoming. New Yorkers learn the basics of flamenco and visit rocco palaces and Moorish synagogues. In Santa Fe, they shop the trendy boutiques and galleries, then drive to an earlier century along the back roads of northern New Mexico.

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The Contract Documents are on file and may be examined at the Van Dyke Avenue office of the Authority. Copies of the Contract Documents may also be obtained at said offices upon payment by check or bank draft in the amount of \$50.00 payable to the Housing Authority of the City of New Brunswick and posted to each set. Payment for Documents is non-refundable. Documents will not be mailed.

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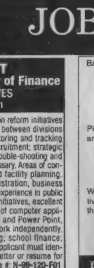


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## Diary of A Mad Sports Editor

It recently came to light that Rutgers Head Basketball Coach Kevin Bannon conducted a practice in which a couple of players ran naked wind sprints.

This story caused quite a stir. However, I find the controversy surrounding this incident completely overblown. As a former athlete, I have personally witnessed a number of locker-room antics which, well ... were worthy of a locker-room.

Athletes and the competitive atmosphere it engenders can be suffocating and overwhelming sometimes. This is particularly the case at a University like Rutgers, which competes in the glamorous Big East Conference, under the glare of the New York media spotlight. And in the interest of levity, players, trainers and coaches occasionally engage in all sorts of pranks, practical jokes and dirty tricks to keep a team loose.

Many of these are not in good taste. Some jokes even involve nudity. But, however distasteful the Rutgers practice may be, this much is clear: The incident should have been interpreted as a locker-room type incident, and any sterile exploration of its details in a newspaper account fails to provide an adequate context.

Hey, do I condone what happened at a Rutgers basketball practice over two years ago? Who cares?

Has anyone seen Barry Sanders? Looks like he won't be returning to the NFL any time soon. The last I heard, Sanders was vacationing in Great Britain. Maybe he'll sign a multi-gazillion-dollar contract to join a British rugby team. Just imagine Sanders playing professional rugby in Eng-

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land. With all of his jitter and stutter-step moves, he'd embarrass more Brits than Sarah Ferguson.

What a year for New York-area sports! We enjoyed the Knicks' spectacular performance in the NBA Finals, saw thoroughbred Silver Charm almost capture the Triple Crown at Belmont, and witnessed the Jets come within two quarters of advancing to the Super Bowl. The Mets and Yankees continue to flirt with the prospect of a subway series, and Seton Hall, after Tommy Anaker's freshman year as coach, recently corralled the number-one recruiting class in the country!

Now, if we could just get Patrick Ewing to pass the basketball, we'd be in business.



Gregory Moore



## Sports Illustrated for Women honors TCNJ

EWING, NJ - The fall issue of Sports Illustrated for Women, which hit the newsstands, names the top 20 schools for women athletes. SI for Women's editors have chosen The College of New Jersey as the top Division III institution for women. The editors used a variety of factors to develop the list of top school from championships women; varsity; club and intramural opportunities; graduation rates; intramural aid and fan support. Also considered were facilities, sports-related curriculum, traditions and attitude.

TCNJ Director of Athletics, Kevin McHugh said of the news, "We are thrilled with SI Women's recognition of TCNJ's Women's athletic program and extremely proud of all the student-athletes, coaches, and support staff throughout the years, who have contributed to the success that our women's teams have enjoyed." McHugh went on to say, "We also acknowledge that this success could not have been achieved without the support and encouragement of the college administration and the campus community. One of the college's fundamental principles is the pursuit of excellence and this passion to excel is nowhere more evident than on our women's teams."

Since 1979, The College of New Jersey has amassed a total of 33 Division III crowns in six different sports: team championships.

## New Jersey City University Football Schedule

Day	Date	Opponent	Time
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>			
Sat.	4	PACE	1 p.m.
Sat.	11	at SUNY Brockport	1:30p.m.
Sat.	18	WESTERN CONNECTICUT	1 p.m.
Sat.	25	ROWAN*	1 p.m.
<b>OCTOBER</b>			
Sat.	9	at SUNY Cortland	1 p.m.
Sat.	18	at KEAN*	2 p.m.
Sat.	23	COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY	2 p.m.
Sat.	30	WILLIAM PATERSON	1 p.m.
<b>NOVEMBER</b>			
Sat.	6	at Montclair State*	7 p.m.
Sat.	13	CHOWAN	1 p.m.

Home games (in BOLD CAPS) played at the Thomas M. Gerrity Athletic Complex

## The Montclair State University Football Schedule

<b>SEPTEMBER</b>		
11	@Cortland State, NY	1:30 p.m.
18	open date	
25	@ Brockport, NY	1:30 p.m.
<b>OCTOBER</b>		
2	open date	
9	REAN UNIVERSITY	7 p.m.
	(Homecoming)	
16	@ William Paterson	2 p.m.
23	WESTERN CONNECTICUT	2 p.m.
30	@ The College of NJ	2 p.m.
<b>NOVEMBER</b>		
6	NEW JERSEY CITY*	7 p.m.
13	@Rowan University*	3:30 p.m.

HOME GAMES IN SOLD CAPS, played at Sprague Field  
\*Indicates NJAC Contest

Montclair State University gears up for the 1999-2000 gridiron season under head coach Rick Giancola. Entering his 17th season, the Newark native son totals a 109-54-2 overall record. With a roster of key returners, Giancola is looking forward to another good season. Returners: Offense, Ron Lewis, Asbury Park senior running back voted 1996 NJAC Rookie of the Year; John Yeasis, Midland Park senior fullback and co-captain; Dan Rella, Wood-Ridge senior tight end and co-captain; Brian Ille, Hasbuck Heights junior offensive line. Defense, Jason Taggart, Bloomfield junior defensive line; Kenny Ford, Paterson senior defensive line; Carlos Bolanos, Hopatcong junior defensive line; Vic Meece, Bloomfield senior kicker defensive back.



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